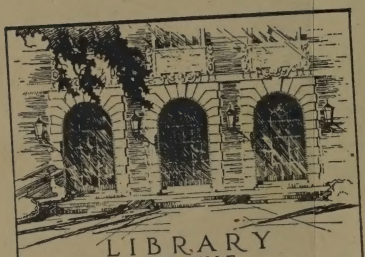

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OF THE

Eighty-Ninth Annual Convention

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

HELD IN

GRACE CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,

Tuesday, 10th, and Wednesday, 11th, June, 1879.

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OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE.

1879.

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION, *ex-officio*,

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Bishop of the Diocese.

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LIST OF PARISHES

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

WITH THE DATE OF THEIR ORGANIZATION.

1879.

	A. D.	Order of Organization.
Ashton, St. John's Chapel	1868	Thirty-Fifth.
Barrington, St. John's Church	1859	Twenty-Seventh.
Bristol, St. Michael's Church	1719	Third.
" Trinity Church	1875	Forty-Second.
Burrillville, Calvary Church	1861	Thirtieth.
Central Falls, St. George's Church	1874	Forty-First.
Cranston, St Bartholomew's Church	1866	Thirty-Fourth.
Crompton, St. Philip's Church	1845	Twentieth.
East Greenwich, St. Luke's Church	1833	Tenth.
East Providence, St. Luke's Church	1871	Thirty-Eighth.
" " St. Mary's Church	1871	Thirty-Ninth.
Greenville, St. Thomas's Church	1851	Twenty-Fourth.
Jamestown, St. Matthew's Church	1837	Fifteenth.
Lonsdale, Christ Church	1834	Eleventh.
Manton, St. Peter's Church	1847	Twenty-Third.
Manville, Emmanuel Church	1835	Fourteenth.
Middletown, Chapel of Holy Cross*	1844	Nineteenth.
Newport, All Saints' Chapel*	1861	Twenty-Ninth.
" Emmanuel Church	1852	Twenty-Fifth.
" Trinity Church	1698	First.
" Zion Church	1833	Ninth.

*Not in union with the Convention.

	A. D.	Order of Organization.
Pawtucket, St. Paul's Church	1816	Fifth.
" Trinity Church	1845	Twenty-First.
Pontiac, All Saints' Chapel	1869	Thirty-Seventh.
Portsmouth, St. Paul's Church	1834	Twelfth.
" St. Mary's Church	1843	Eighteenth.
Providence, All Saints' Memorial Church	1847	Twenty-Second.
" Christ Church	1865	Thirty-Third.
" Grace Church	1829	Sixth.
" Church of the Epiphany	1875	Forty-Third.
" Church of the Messiah	1856	Twenty-Sixth.
" Church of the Redeemer	1860	Twenty-Eighth.
" Church of the Saviour	1863	Thirty-First.
" St. Gabriel's Church	1871	Fortieth.
" St. James's Church	1869	Thirty-Sixth.
" St. John's Church	1722	Fourth.
" St. Stephen's Church	1839	Sixteenth.
Scituate, Trinity Church	1864	Thirty-Second.
Wakefield, Church of the Ascension	1839	Seventeenth.
Warren, St. Mark's Church	1829	Seventh.
Westerly, Christ Church	1834	Thirteenth.
Wickford, St. Paul's Church	1707	Second.
Woonsocket, St. James's Church	1832	Eighth.

A LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

JUNE, 1879.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, Residing in Providence.

Rev. William N. Ackley, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren.

Rev. George P. Allen.

Rev. William W. Ayres, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. Charles H. Bixby, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

Rev. Darius R. Brewer, Rector of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. James H. Carpenter, Residing in Wakefield.

Rev. A. B. Carver, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

Rev. Benjamin H. Chase, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Rev. William M. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, Barrington; Post Office, Barrington Centre.

Rev. William S. Child, S. T. D., Residing in Newport.

Rev. Thomas H. Cocroft, Missionary in charge of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, and St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix.

Rev. James W. Colwell, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Rev. H. C. Cunningham, Rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Rev. Benjamin Eastwood, Missionary in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

Rev. David H. Greer, Rector of Grace Church, Providence.

Rev. Henry Hague, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

Rev. J. C. Hewlett, Rector of the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Rev. Joseph Johnson, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.

Rev. E. H. Kettell, Rector of Zion Church, Newport.

Rev. Daniel Leach, D. D. Superintendent of Public Schools, Providence.

Rev. J. E. Lindholm, Rector of All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac.

Rev. George L. Locke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Rev. George J. Magill, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. William I. Magill, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. Alexander G. Mercer, D. D., Minister of All Saints' Chapel, Newport.

Rev. Joseph L. Miller, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Rev. Robert Murray, Jr., Rector of St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

Rev. R. B. Peet, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Newport.

Rev. D. I. Odell, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Watchemoket.

Rev. Emery Huntington Porter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Emery M. Porter, Residing in Lincoln; P. O., Lonsdale.

Rev. Charles M. Pyne, Missionary in charge of St. George's Church, Central Falls.

Rev. Delancey G. Rice, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

Rev. Charles A. L. Richards, Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.

Rev. S. Brenton Shaw, D. D., Providence.

Rev. W. D. U. Shearman, Rector of St. James's Church, Providence.

Rev. William P. Tucker, Rector of Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Samuel H. Webb, Rector of Christ Church, Providence, and Missionary in charge of St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Rev. Francis Wharton, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. Charles H. Wheeler, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

Rev. Clement J. Whipple.

Rev. Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and of the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

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OF THE

Proceedings of the Convention.

GRACE CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,
Tuesday, June 10, 1879.

The Eighty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island assembled for Divine Service in Grace Church, Providence, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. J. L. MILLER, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket, and the Rev. D. R. BREWER, Rector of Christ Church, Westerly.

The Communion Office was begun by the Bishop, the Rev. D. H. GREER, Rector of Grace Church, Providence, reading the Epistle.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. C. CUNNINGHAM, Rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale, from St. John, xvi., 5: "*But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?*"

The Bishop was assisted in the Communion Office and in the administration by the Rev. D. H. Greer.

After a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rules of Order were read by the Secretary; the Roll was then called as follows:

LIST OF CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS AND A VOTE.

Rev. William N. Ackley,	Rev. George J. Magill,
" *George Pomeroy Allen*,*	" William I. Magill,
" Wm. W. Ayres,	" *A. G. Mercer, D. D.*
" *Samuel G. Babcock*,	" Joseph L. Miller,
" Chas. H. Bixby,	" Robert Murray, Jr.,
" Darius R. Brewer,	" Daniel I. Odell,
" *James H. Carpenter*,	" Robert B. Peet,
" *Benjamin H. Chase*,	" *Emery H. Porter*,
" *Wm. S. Child, S. T. D.*	" Emery M. Porter,
" Thomas H. Cocroft,	" Charles M. Pyne,
" James W. Colwell,	" Delancey G. Rice,
" H. C. Cunningham,	" Charles A. L. Richards,
" Benjamin Eastwood,	" Samuel B. Shaw, D. D.
" David H. Greer,	" Wm. D. U. Shearman,
" Daniel Henshaw,	" Wm. P. Tucker,
" John C. Hewlett,	" Samuel H. Webb,
" *Edward H. Kettell*,	" Francis Wharton, D. D. LL. D.,
" Daniel Leach, D. D.	
" J. E. Lindholm,	" Charles H. Wheeler,
" George L. Locke,	" *Hobart Williams.*

ENTITLED TO SEATS BUT NOT TO A VOTE.

Rev. Henry Hague,	Rev. Joseph H. Johnson,
" A. B. Carver,	" *C. J. Whipple.*

* Those whose names are in italics were not present.

LAY DELEGATES AND SUBSTITUTES.

PROVIDENCE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Jacob H. Martin,	Samuel G. Trippe,
John W. Vernon,	*Oren Westcott*,
Charles T. Dorrance,	*S. R. Dorrance*,
M. B. I. Goddard.	D. L. D. Granger.

Grace Church, Providence.

William Grosvenor,	*Shepard C. Kinsley*,
Edward A. Greene,	*Caleb Farnum*,
Charles Morris Smith,	Samuel J. Ladd,
Stephen Brownell.	*John W. Angell.*

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Resolved Waterman,	Freeborn Coggeshall,
Lyman Klapp,	*Edward H. Cutler*,
William Ames,	*Charles C. Nichols*,
R. M. Sherman.	*John H. Ormsbee.*

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

B. Frank Pabodie,	*Charles Driscoll*,
George C. Nightingale, Jr.,	*Gilbert H. Hagan*,
James Tiffany,	*Frank S. Lincoln*,
Louis T. Foster,	*Charles H. Henshaw.*

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

Charles E. Boon,	*S. Sweet*,
Robert B. Hall,	*James A. Charnley*,
Garrett Cargin,	*A. W. Taft*,
Geo. W. Barker.	William Thornton.

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

George D. Briggs,	Alvah E. Carpenter,
Elisha C. Mowry,	*Charles B. Manchester*,
John H. Stiness,	*John Crittenden*,
John B. Wheeler.	*Joseph Burlingame.*

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Waterman Stone,	Daniel W. Brown,
James M. Cross,	*John R. Allen*,
A. W. Matthewson,	Robert H. Blanding,
James H. Mumford.	*James H. Wentworth.*

Christ Church, Providence.

C. Henry Barney,	*Henry Midwood*,
W. J. Crossley,	George H. Allen,
Henry Hirons,	*Geo. W. Dickinson*,
William Russell, Jr.	*Thomas McMurty.*

St. James's Church, Providence

Amos M. Bowen,	*Eugene P. King*,
Frank E. Richmond,	*Christopher Blanding*,
Ebenezer Nichols,	*Jonas Anty*,
Henry Bassett.	*Samuel Hulmes.*

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

William Foster,	*Henry T. Beckwith*,
Daniel Chambers,	*Andrew Glover*,
Samuel B. Hobson,	*Geo. M. Daniels*,
Lewis J. Chace.	*Wm. J. Freeman.*

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

A. O. Bourn,	Albert D. Lippitt,
William Halton,	*Malcolm Troop*,
Edward D. Bassett,	*Robert H. Hopkins*,
George H. Lincoln.	*George Kirkland.*

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

William W. Blodgett,	George E. Bamford,
Charles W. Allen,	*Thomas R. Dix*,
James O. Starkweather,	Joseph T. Greene,
Henry A. Pierce.	*Alfred H. Chatham.*

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
C. B. Farnsworth,	*Alvin C. Cash*,
Wm. H. Clapp,	*Chas. E. Richardson*,
William Warburton,	*Fred. W. Warburton*,
Martin Ballou.	*Henry L. Dana.*

St. George's Church, Lincoln.

Jonas F. Welcome,	*Frederic Haywood*,
James M. Davis,	*George Gosling*,
Joseph Harrup,	*John Harrup*,
William Wood.	*John P. Briden.*

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

George Kilburn,	*William Goddard*,
Baylies Bourne,	William Pollitt,
George A. Kent,	*Edwin Mathews*,
S. D. Learned.	*Charles D. Robinson.*

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

George Sparhawk,	*James Williamson*,
R. H. I. Goddard,	*Thomas Simpson*,
G. P. Cottrell,	*James Gildard*,
John Mills.	*Fred. Lancaster.*

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

George Clarke,	*Wm. Tucker*,
Wm. Waterman,	*John S. Waterman.*
Russell Handy,	
William Bates.	

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Lyman A. Cook,	*Waldo V. Wales*,
Ariel Ballou,	*George H. Miller*,
R. K. Randolph,	*Frank L. Carter*,
L. C. Tourtellot.	*Henry Andrews.*

Calvary Church, Burrillville.

No delegates reported.

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Charles H. Baggs,	*Frank Steere*,
Joseph Estes,	*Frederic Suffa*,
Nathan Estes,	*Benjamin Bamforth*,
Daniel W. Latham.	*William Clegg.*

Trinity Church, Scituate.

No delegates reported.

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Elisha O. Angell,	*James Millar*,
William W. Wright,	*Horace A. Hunt.*
John C. Budlong,	
George A. Manchester.	

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

No delegates reported.

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

Frederick Comstock,	*George Cruikshank*,
Edward S. Dillon,	*George H. Manning*,
Rufus W. Adams;	*Gilbert W. Brown.*
cher Anthony.	

St. Luke's Church, East Providence.

No delegates reported.

BRISTOL COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Barrington.

J. C. Burrington,	*John F. Maxfield*,
E. L. Walcott,	*James A. Smith*,
Henry Staples,	*C. A. Cornell*,
Benjamin B. Wood.	*George Barnum.*

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

George Lewis Cooke,	*William R. Haile*,
Luther Cole,	*Alfred B. Gardiner*,
Lawton I. Ware,	*George Wheaton*,
Daniel L. Turner.	William H. Turner.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Robert S. Andrews,	*Frederick F. Gladding,*
Theodore P. Bogert,	*Herbert F. Bennett,*
Edward S. Babbitt,	*George S. Stanton,*
George H. Pearce.	*William H. Manchester.*

Trinity Church, Bristol.

H. Frank Munroe,	*William R. Trotter,*
J. P. Reynolds,	*Arthur B. Corthell,*
Henry F. Card,	*J. H. H. Mott,*
Charles V. Perry.	*Henry Orme.*

NEWPORT COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Newport.

John H. Cozzens,	*Samuel Engs,*
John S. Deblois,	*William H. Ashurst,*
William Cornell,	*William G. Seabury,*
William Edgar.	*Job T. Langley.*

Zion Church, Newport.

George Cozzens,	*James Pierson,*
Freeborn S. Waite,	*A. Judson Smith,*
E. Marshall Stedman,	*C. L. F. Atkinson,*
James A. Brown.	*J. F. Lindsey.*

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

Samuel Sterne,	*Edward C. Smith,*
J. T. Burdick,	*Thomas Chambers,*
William P. Clark,	*Benjamin Sisson,*
John M. Taylor.	*John Gibson.*

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Benjamin Green,	*George B. Anthony,*
H. H. Burrington,	*Edward F. Anthony,*
Thomas Holman,	*Benjamin S. Anthony,*
Thomas L. Mitchell.	*Seth Anthony.*

St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Robert S. Chase,	*James R. Chase,*
John B. Gould,	*William P. Manchester,*
William Henry Gifford,	*Albert L. Chase,*
Herbert Chase.	*Restcom P. Manchester.*

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

No delegates reported.

KENT COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

W. Maxwell Greene,	Henry A. Thomas,
Charles H. Welling,	*D. A. Peirce,*
Richard Thornley,	*Benjamin R. Vaughn,*
Theodore B. Talbot.	*B. Frank Vaughn.*

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

Benjamin F. Waterhouse,	*Henry Waterhouse,*
William T. Dorrance,	*William Carpenter,*
John Lord,	*William Houston,*
Joseph Liddle.	*John Allen.*

All Saint's Chapel, Pontiac.

Henry Owen,	*Noah Ashworth,*
James Hough,	*John Pollard,*
Stephen N. Bourne,	*Edward P. Robinson,*
William Just.	*Dan O. King.*

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

James A. Greene,	*John P. Olney,*
A. M. Thomas,	*Esbond Sandford,*
Gideon Freeborn,	*C. F. Wightman,*
C. A. Chadsey.	*J. A. Thomas.*

Christ Church, Westerly.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Edwin Babcock,	*J. Hobart Cross*,
Samuel H. Cross,	*William H. Chapman*,
William Hoxsey,	*A. N. Lewis*,
J. L. Moss, Jr.	*David Smith*.

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

George Pearse,	*Lionel Clark*,
George Knowles.	*John H. Caswell*.

The President then declared the Convention to be duly organized.

On motion,

Resolved, That clergymen from other Dioceses and Candidates for Holy Orders be invited to honorary seats in the Convention.

There were present the Rev. N. H. CHAMBERLAIN, the Rev. L. C. MANCHESTER, and the Rev. J. E. HEALD, of the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. LOUIS C. NEWMAN, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and the Rev. JOHN F. POTTER, of the Diocese of New York.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for the election of Secretary, the Rev. SAMUEL H. WEBB was unanimously re-elected, and, with the consent of the Convention, appointed the Rev. JAMES W. COLWELL his assistant.

The following committees were then appointed by the President:

ON FINANCE.

Mr. George L. Cooke,	Rev. D. H. GREER,
" J. H. Martin,	" GEO. J. MAGILL,
" Geo. C. Nightingale, Jr.	" J. L. MILLER,

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. J. C. Hewlett,	Mr. J. C. Burrington,
" J. L. Miller.	" Benjamin Greene.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

Rev. D. G. Rice,	Mr. R. M. Sherman,
" Charles H. Bixby.	" Baylies Bourne.

ON CANONS.

Rev. C. A. L. Richards,	Mr. C. B. Farnsworth,
" Daniel Henshaw.	" W. Maxwell Greene.

Mr. Charles M. Smith, for the Committee appointed at the last Convention, to sell or dispose of all real estate coming to this Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland, and to whom was referred the several plans proposed for permanent control of funds belonging to the Convention, made report.

On motion the report was received and the Canon recommended by the Committee, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE J. S. BORLAND ESTATE.

The Special Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Convention to whom was referred "the several plans of permanent control of funds belonging to the Convention," and also the report of the Committee appointed to receive legacies and bequests given this Diocese by the will of Joseph S. Borland; and who were also authorized "to sell or dispose of all real estate coming to this Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland," respectfully report:

That in their opinion it will be a great advantage to the Convention, to the Treasurer, and to the several Boards of Trustees having charge of the funds of the Convention, to have some permanent board appointed whose duty it shall be to audit the accounts and examine the vouchers of the Treasurer and of the various Boards of Trustees, and thereby save the Convention from considerable labor requiring skill and accuracy and

careful deliberation. Under the present system this labor has to be hastily done by a Finance Committee, appointed the first day of the Convention, whose duty it is to report on all matters referred to them on the following day. The business of the Convention has frequently been retarded because the Finance Committee, owing to their arduous duties, were not ready to report on matters referred to them, and the counsel and advice of some of its wisest and most experienced members have at times been lost to the Convention because the Finance Committee have been obliged to sit during the session of the Convention.

This committee therefore recommend the adoption by the Convention of Canon XVII., of the Board of Audit and Finance, which is submitted herewith.

In relation to "the report of the committee appointed to receive legacies and bequests given this Diocese by the will of Joseph S. Borland," this Committee recommend that the report of said Committee presented at the last Convention be received, and the action of said Committee in settling with the Executor of the estate of Joseph S. Borland be approved and confirmed, and the Committee be discharged.

This Committee has not deemed it expedient "to sell the real estate received by the Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland." The land is rented to parties who pay rent amounting to more than the taxes levied on the same, and a larger amount will probably be realized by deferring the sale of the land till business is more prosperous, than could be realized by a sale at the present time. In order, however, that the land may be sold, if any advantageous opportunity to do so should occur, this Committee recommends that the Convention appoint a committee with authority to sell or dispose of all or any part of the real estate received by the Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland, with power to execute, acknowledge and deliver sufficient deeds of conveyance of the same and turn over the proceeds of such sale or sales to the Treasurer to be placed in the Borland Fund.

In accordance with the resolution of the Convention, the Treasurer holds as a separate fund, called the "Borland Fund," the five shares of stock in the Boston and Albany Railroad, received from the estate of Joseph S. Borland and also the sum of dollars, being the cash ($782) received in final settlement from that estate and the investments of the same and of the railroad shares. Under the advice of this Committee the cash is deposited in the participation account of the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company.

W. W. BLODGETT,
JOHN H. STINESS,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH, } *Committee.*

PROVIDENCE, June 10, 1879.

On motion, resolved that the Convention take a recess till 2 o'clock.

At the close of the recess the Convention was again called to order.

The Bishop then read his annual address.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to revision of the list of parishes be referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the Episcopal Fund be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the organization of the General Convention be referred to a special Committee to report to the next Diocesan Convention.

The Chair appointed as the committee:

Rev. Geo. J. Magill,	Mr. C. B. Farnsworth,
" C. A. L. Richards.	" William Grosvenor.

The Treasurer then read his report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance. (See Appendix.)

The Registrar asked and obtained leave to present his report the next day.

The Report of the Standing Committee was read, and on motion it was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee met at the Rectory of St. John's Church, Providence, and effected an organization by the re-election of the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, President, and the Rev. D. H. Greer, Secretary.

There has been but little business brought before the Committee during the past year, and the report herewith submitted is in consequence very meagre. Mr. Henry Hague, a candidate for Holy Orders, has been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate; Mr. Hezekiah Usher Monro has been recommended as a candidate for Holy Orders.

Consent and concurrence have also been given to the election of the Rt. Rev. J. H. D. Wingfield, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Northern California, to be Diocesan Bishop of Louisiana.

D. H. GREER, *Secretary.*

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund was then presented, and on motion it was referred to the Committee on Finance. (See Appendix.)

On motion, the presentation of the Report of the Board of Missions was deferred until the time should arrive for the consideration of the State of the Church in the Diocese.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was then called for. No report was presented.

The Report of the Depository Board was read, received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE DEPOSITORY BOARD.

The undersigned respectfully reports that the orders upon the Depository for supplying Prayer Books and Hymnals to our Missionary stations during the year have amounted to $72.00, and the revenue from the Depository stock, with the Convention offertory of last year, has amounted to $71.47.

The Depository has been removed to Messrs. N. Bangs Williams & Co.'s book store, No. 52 Westminster street, and it is hoped the change will be met with increased patronage from all the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese.

In behalf of the Board,

S. C. BLODGET.

PROVIDENCE, June 10, 1879.

No Report appeared from the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the absence of children from Church services, be referred to a special committee of four, to report to-morrow.

The Bishop appointed as the committee:

Rev. C. M. PYNE, Mr. Henry Staples,
" W. N. ACKLEY. " J. W. Vernon.

A motion to amend Canon eleven, section 1, by striking out that portion beginning with the words, "and such delegates," on the last line of page 15, and ending with the words, "take their places," on the third line of page 16, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare a form of charter or act of incorporation for Churches in this Diocese, to be reported to the next Convention.

The Chair appointed as the Committee:

Rev. R. B. PEET, W. W. Blodgett, J. H. Stiness.

The Report of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc., was then presented, and on motion was referred to the Committee on Finance. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Board of Missions was then read, and on motion was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The annual meeting of the Board of Missions was held June 18, 1878. E. H. Porter was chosen Secretary and C. E. Boon, Treasurer, for the ensuing year.

The Treasurer reported that the special subscriptions at the meeting of the last Convention amounted to $862.54, which removed all indebtedness of the Board, and provided a sufficient sum to meet the payments of July. Such a generous response from the Parishes of the Diocese in a time of urgent necessity was fully appreciated. It is hoped that there will be no occasion in the future to appeal to the sympathies of the Convention in behalf of an overdrawn treasury.

At the November meeting the following resolution was adopted:

That at least five days before the end of each quarter, each Missionary shall report to the Secretary—

1. Whether the Mission has paid to the Missionary its quarterly dues in full.
2. A statement of the condition of the work.
3. The amount of the quarterly offering for the Board.

In December the Missionary Stations were adopted for the year beginning April 1, 1879, and the Missionaries were appointed by the Bishop.

The stations now adopted are these:

St. George's, Lincoln, Rev. C. M. Pyne	$400 00
St. Philip's, Valley Falls, Rev. C. M. Pyne	100 00
Good Shepherd, Pleasant View, Rev. B. Eastwood	500 00
Christ, S. Providence, Rev. S. H. Webb	400 00
St. Peter's, Manton, no appointment	200 00
St. Philip's, Crompton, Rev. T. H. Cocroft	400 00
St. Andrew's, Phenix, Rev. T. H. Cocroft	150 00
Epiphany, Elmwood, no appointment	200 00
St. Thomas's, Greenville, no appointment	200 00
St. Matthew's, Jamestown, Rev. G. J. Magill	100 00
St. Mary's, Cumberland Hill, Rev. H. Hague	100 00
	$2,750 00

In February, the Rev. W. D. U. Shearman sent in his resignation as a Missionary of the Board, and no appointment has been made for St. James's Church, Providence.

In March, St. Thomas's, Eagle Park, was adopted as a station of the Board, and placed under the charge of the Rev. C. H. Wheeler, with an appropriation of $50.00 to defray the expenses of occasional services.

With regard to these missions there are some items of interest:

St. George's, Lincoln. The debt upon this Church has been reduced to $5,700. Three hundred dollars have been paid during the Conventional year. Some ladies of Providence have assisted in raising the necessary interest.

Good Shepherd, Pleasant View. The amount of the debt upon the Church building is $1,425, reduced $75 the past year.

St. Peter's, Manton. There is a prospect of uniting this station with Greenville during the present year, as it can be visited more conveniently than from South Providence. The special feature of the work here is a flourishing Sunday School.

St. Philip's, Crompton. The improvement in the Church property here is very marked. The Church is not large enough and needs some $1,200 to adapt it to the requirements of this community.

St. Andrew's, Phenix. The condition of this Mission is very gratifying, and the work gives promise of yielding large results.

St. Thomas's, Greenville. The labors of Mr. Baggs, lay reader, have been eminently successful. As he is about to leave for preparation for Holy Orders, it is desirable now that a clergyman, of like earnestness, be appointed to carry on the work in connection with Manton.

St. Matthew's, Jamestown. A Church will be built during the present summer.

St. Mary's, Cumberland Hill. This Chapel is now open for regular services and can be consecrated as soon as a small indebtedness of a few hundred dollars is removed.

A year ago we came before the Convention with a debt. This was the first time in the history of the Board. We made our report and the Convention generously pledged relief. This year we have no debt, but on the first of July the quarterly payments will be due, amounting to about seven hundred dollars. If any delinquent parishes which have not contributed to the Board during the past year can do so before the end of this month, it will enable us more nearly to meet our responsibilities without postponing payments or incurring debt by loan. A list of delinquent parishes will be found in the Treasurer's report.

The receipts of the Board have been less than for many years. Only one-half of the amount contributed last year was received this year. Had it not been for extraordinary resources for which the parishes have no credit, and upon which we cannot rely hereafter, we should be very much

in arrears. The state of the Missionary field is very encouraging. There is nothing depressing in the condition of any station. The Missionaries are earnest, faithful, hard-working men. Here and there some Church debt impedes the growth of Church work, but these debts are gradually diminishing. The Board is seeking to adopt some policy by which in the future such unwarrantable expenditure in Missionary stations may be prevented. There are two dangers we have to contend against, the multiplying of stations where there is little prospect of success, and the building of churches before the Missions are strong enough to pay for them and maintain them. A few stations well chosen, and generously supported, are better than a great many, feeble and burdensome, undertaken by sanguine souls, and maintained when past hope, simply because once begun. The Church in our Diocese needs condensation. Where there are established parishes too near together, it is difficult now to make a reform. When new parishes are organized, or Missions are undertaken, there is some possibility of control.

We ask for your continued contributions to enable us to carry on the present important enterprises and to enter upon new fields only as the greatness of the demand requires.

As the usefulness of the Board of Missions becomes more widely known, the good and faithful work done by the Missionaries throughout the Diocese, by the aid of the Missionary gatherings now held almost monthly through the year, and by the efforts of the Women's Auxiliary, which makes Diocesan aid a part of its good works, there ought to be no lack of money to carry on the missionary work of the Diocese. We ask your help in the year to come.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. PORTER.

The Convention then entered upon the consideration of the State of the Church in the Diocese, and the interests of several parishes and mission stations were presented by the Bishop and the Revs. Messrs. Magill, Greer and Wheeler.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was then read, and on motion, it was received and referred to the Committee on Finance. (See Appendix.)

The following resolution was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions shall be made immediately after the Report of the Board, and the Order of Business shall be so amended.

A proposition to amend Canon I. by the addition of a section relating to the incurring of debt by Mission stations, was on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee appointed to receive legacies and bequests given the Diocese by the will of Joseph S. Borland, presented at the last Annual Convention, be received and the action of said Committee in settling with the Executor of the estate of Joseph S. Borland, be approved and confirmed and the Committee be discharged.

On motion,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed with authority to sell or dispose of all or any part of the real estate received by the Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland, with power to execute, acknowledge and deliver good and sufficient deeds of conveyance of the same, and to turn over the proceeds of such sale or sales to the Treasurer to be placed in the Borland Fund.

Messrs. W. W. Blodgett, J. H. Stiness, and Charles Morris Smith were appointed such Committee.

A proposition of amendment of Canon I., section 6, Board of Missions, was on motion referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to report upon the expediency of omitting the printing of parochial reports in full in the Convention Journal.

The Parochial Reports were then presented to the Bishop.

The Convention then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning for Divine service at 10 o'clock.

GRACE CHURCH,
St. Barnabas's Day, Wednesday, June 11, 1879.

The Convention met for Divine Service in the Church at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Litany was said by the Rev. L. C. MANCHESTER, of the Diocese of Massachusetts. The Communion Office, as far as the Epistle, was read by the Rev. WILLIAM N. ACKLEY, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren. The Gospel and the Nicene Creed were said by the Bishop, who also pronounced the Benediction.

At the close of the service the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The roll was called, and the record of the first day's proceedings was read and approved.

The Registrar then presented his Report, and on motion it was received and ordered to be printed.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The Registrar respectfully reports that there have been received and placed in the archives of the Diocese, Convention Journals of the past year from the various Dioceses in the United States, also the manuscript of Bishop Clark's address for 1878. Besides the above named, a copy of the Historical Discourse delivered in St. Mark's Church, Warren, Sunday evening, November 10, 1878, by the Rev. William N. Ackley, Rector; a sermon preached at the re-opening of St. Andrew's Church, Providence, July 6, 1854, by Rev. William H. Mills, and a sermon preached in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, on the fourth Sunday in Advent, December 22, 1878, by Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rector; also a Discourse at the opening of the Convention of Clerical and Lay Delegates of the Church in Rhode Island, delivered in Trinity Church, Newport, November 18, 1790, by William Smith, Rector of Trinity Church, presented by Louis J. Chace.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. WEBB, *Registrar.*

June 10, 1879.

No Report was presented by the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.

The Committee on Canons presented the following reports:

[No. 1.]

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the consideration of the proposed Canon XVII, unanimously recommend the adoption of that Canon as it came from the Committee by whom it was prepared, as follows:

PROPOSED CANON.

Canon XVII. Of the Board of Audit and Finance.

Section 1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Audit and Finance to consist of three laymen; of whom one shall hold office for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and each Annual Convention hereafter shall elect one member who shall hold office for the term of three years; and the said Board shall have authority to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said Board previous to each Annual Convention to audit and examine all accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and to inspect the securities and investments in his hands belonging to the general funds of the Convention and to the special funds and accounts in his hands; and from time to time to advise and instruct the Treasurer as to the sale and re-investment of any securities belonging to the Convention, and as to the care and investment of any funds to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise; and the Treasurer shall not be held responsible by the Convention for any loss or damage it may sustain by reason of any investment or change of investment in its funds made by the Treasurer under the written advice and instruction of said Board.

Sec 3. It shall also be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Convention, to audit and examine the accounts and vouchers and to inspect the securities and investments of each of the Boards of Trustees and Commissions who now have, or to whom may hereafter be given the charge and care of any funds belonging to this Convention.

Sec. 4. It shall also be the duty of said Board to present to each

Annual Convention a report showing the amount the Board estimate will be required to be raised by assessment for the Bishop's salary and the Convention expenses for that year, and to recommend the sums to be assessed by the Convention on the several parishes in union with it.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer, under the direction and approval of said Board, to take possession of, hold and manage all property, real and personal, (not now in the hands of any special Board of Trustees,) belonging to the Convention, or to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise, until such time as the Convention shall order other management or disposition of the same. And it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report annually to the Convention any action which he may take under the authority given to him by this section.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion the Canon proposed was adopted.

[No. 2.]

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the consideration of a change in the election of Lay Delegates, respectfully recommend the following alteration of Canon XI., Section 1, first line on page 16 to read as follows: "Shall continue in office until after the adjournment of the Convention for which they were chosen, and also for one year thereafter unless new delegates and substitutes shall have been regularly chosen to take their places."

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the change recommended was adopted.

[No. 3.] The Committee on Canons further reported, recommending the adoption of a new Canon to be numbered Canon 18, relating to the list of parishes. On motion this report was recommitted to them for further consideration.

[No. 4.]

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the place of the Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions in the Standing Order of Business, respectfully recommend that in the Order of Business for the

first day of the Session, the Report from the Board of Missions be placed last on the present list of Regular Annual Reports, viz., as No. 8, and that thereafter be inserted as No. 9. The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

They further recommend that the numbering of Sections IV. and V. be reversed in order, so that the consideration of the State of the Church in the Diocese shall precede the introduction of business for reference to special committees.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the report was received and the recommendations adopted.

[No. 5.]

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the amendment offered to Canon I , respectfully recommend that the following be adopted as Canon I., Section 5, and that the present Section 5 be numbered Section 6:

No salary shall be paid to the Missionary of any station at which a debt for a Church or Rectory building shall be hereafter incurred, unless said debt be incurred with the written consent of the Bishop, and of the Board of Missions, or until the entire liquidation of the debt. The attention of each Missionary shall be annually called to this section by the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the amendment as recommended by the Committee was adopted.

[No. 6.]

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the proposal to amend Canon I , Section 6, respectfully recommend that Section 6 be hereafter numbered Section 7, and that at its close the following words be added:

"And also an estimate of the amount required for Missionary work during the year ensuing, together with a proposed apportionment thereof among the several parishes of the Diocese.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the report was received and the recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had examined and found correct the accounts referred to them.

The same Committee reported assessments made for Bishop's salary and Convention expenses. (See Appendix.)

On motion,

Resolved, That the Report be adopted, and that the delinquent parishes be, and are, hereby requested to pay their assessments immediately, and that all parishes are requested to be prompt in the payment of these assessments.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Financial Reports returned as approved by the Committee on Finance be received and printed. (See Appendix.)

The Committee on Finance made a further report as follows:

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the Episcopal Fund, beg leave to submit the following resolutions, recommending their adoption by the Convention:

1. *Resolved*, That immediate efforts be made to increase the amount of the Episcopal Fund to sixty thousand dollars.
2. That a committee of five laymen be appointed for the purpose of securing the amount required.
3. That every Rector be, and is, hereby requested to coöperate with the said committee, and also to have an offering made in his Parish for the above purpose before the next meeting of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEORGE C. NIGHTINGALE, Jr.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,

Finance Committee.

On motion, the report was received and the recommendation adopted.

On motion, the Committee on Finance were instructed to report to the Convention nominations for the proposed committee.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the non-attendance of children at Church reported as follows:

NON-ATTENDANCE OF CHILDREN AT CHURCH.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the non-attendance of children upon Church Services, beg leave to present the following report:

The evil to which the Bishop refers is certainly a real and growing one, and needs to be dealt with promptly, inasmuch as of the children of the present day our future congregations are to be composed, and the loss or absence of interest in the Church's services will certainly result in almost total alienation from the Church itself.

It seems to your Committee that the following are among the leading causes of the non-attendance of the Church's children at her regular services:

1. The fact that it is not sufficiently impressed upon the children's minds by their parents, their Sunday School teachers, and even, perhaps by their Ministers, that the Liturgy of the Church is something which belongs to them as much as to the grown people, and that by their membership in the Church they have the same right of attendance at, and joining in the Church's public worship, as those of a riper age. Were the children made to understand that when they attend service they are present, not by the mere sufferance of their elders, but by a right of their own, it is not doubted but that there would soon be an increased attendance on their part.

2. The elaborate opening and closing services of our Sunday Schools, which lead the Sunday scholars to deem that when the Sunday School is over, they have attended their own service, or rather the service which is intended especially for them, thus increasing and confirming the idea which has just been referred to, that the Church service is for the older people only.

3. The fact that the practice in many of our parishes is to have the Sunday School in the morning, immediately before the Morning Service, thereby rendering a continuous attendance too tedious for the children.

The Committee have not had time to consult on the subject as they would desire, but would offer the following resolution for adoption by the Convention, in order to bring this matter practically before the families of the Diocese.

Resolved, That this Convention request the Rectors of the several parishes to read to their congregations at an early day, so much of the Bishop's Address as alludes to this important subject, and to make such other presentation of the matter to the parents, teachers and children as shall in their judgment best tend to arrest this grave and growing evil.

Resolved, That this subject be referred to a committee of —— to report in full at the next Convention.

CHARLES M. PYNE,
W. N. ACKLEY,
HENRY STAPLES,
J. W. VERNON.

On motion, the report was accepted and the resolutions adopted.

The same Committee was appointed by the Bishop to report to the next Convention.

The Committee on Canons further reported as follows:

[No. 7.]

The Committee on Canons to whom was recommitted the consideration of the list of parishes in union with the Convention respectfully recommend the adoption of the following addition to Article VII. of the Constitution:

When it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee that a parish has for two years last past had no place of worship, or has maintained no regular public services, or has failed for three years last past to pay its quota of the Bishop's salary, and of the Convention expenses, that parish shall be declared defunct and be stricken from the list of parishes in union with the Convention.

And they would recommend the subsequent adoption of the following as

CANON XVIII.

1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, at least two months before its Annual Session, to send to the Standing Committee a

list of the parishes in this Diocese to be by that Committee revised in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution.

2. The list thus revised by the Standing Committee shall be returned to the Secretary of the Convention, at least one month before its session, and be the authorized list of the parishes of the Diocese for that Convention and for any special Convention held before the next Annual Convention.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the proposed amendment to the Constitution was approved.

The Convention then proceeded to the elections.

The Rev. D. R. Brewer having declined a re-election, the following persons were elected:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

TO SERVE FOR TWO YEARS.

Rev. D. H. Greer,
" E. H Porter,
" J. W. Colwell,
Mr. R. H. I. Goddard,
" J. C. Burrington.

Mr. James M. Cross was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

The Rev. S. H. Webb was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

The Standing Committee was re-elected as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw.
" D. H. Greer,
" C. A. L. Richards,
" George J. Magill.
Mr. E. A. Greene.
" George L. Cooke,
" W. W. Blodgett,
" T. P. I. Goddard.

Mr. Charles Morris Smith was re-elected a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. John H. Stiness having declined a re-election, the following persons were elected to be the

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

Mr. T. P. Bogert,	Mr. Edwin Babcock,
" J. L. Peirce,	" E. D. Bassett.

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was re-elected as follows:

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, &c.

Mr. M. B. I. Goddard,	Mr. C. T. Dorrance,
" E. A. Greene,	" William Ames.

The Depository Board was re-elected as follows:

DEPOSITORY BOARD.

Rev. E. H. Porter,	Mr. Samuel C. Blodget,
" D. H. Greer.	" J. H. DeWolf.

The Rev. George L. Locke having resigned as a member of the Ecclesiastical Court, the Bishop nominated the Rev. H. C. Cunningham, and the nomination was confirmed by the Convention.

The following named persons were then elected as members of the Board of Audit and Finance:

BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Mr. George C. Nightingale, Sr., to serve for one year.
" William Grosvenor, to serve for two years.
" Frank E. Richmond, to serve for three years.

On motion,

Resolved, That the special committee to whom was referred the subject of Parochial Charters, be requested to consider and report upon the subject of Parochial Franchise.

The Committee on Finance report that they recommend no change in the matter of printing parochial reports.

On motion,

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary and Treasurer, and that ten copies be given to each parish, and the remainder, after deducting the prescribed number of copies, be distributed *pro rata* in accordance with the assessments for the expenses of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Parish of Grace Church for the hospitalities extended during the present session, and for the bountiful collation provided on the first day of the session.

On motion,

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid to the Sexton of Grace Church for his services at this Convention.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay one hundred dollars (the sum received this year according to the provisions of the last will of Miss Sarah U. Goddard), to the Rev. George J. Magill, to assist in the erection of St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

The Committee on Finance reported, recommending that the number of the Committee on the increase of the Episcopal Fund, be increased to seven, with power to fill vacancies, and present the following nominations for that Committee:

Rev. George J. Magill,
" David H. Greer,
Mr. George C. Mason,
" Edwin Babcock,
Mr. R. H. I. Goddard,
" Frank E. Richmond,
" C. B. Farnsworth.

On motion, the nominations were confirmed by the Convention.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, This being the twenty-fifth year of the Episcopate of our beloved Bishop, it seems appropriate that a special service shall be held in the city of Providence on the day of the anniversary, it is therefore

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of three clergymen and two laymen, be and they are hereby appointed by this Convention, to make the necessary arrangements for a proper observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Episcopate of our Diocesan.

On motion, the following Committee was appointed by the Convention:

Rev. D. H. Greer,
" C. A. L. Richards,
" Daniel Henshaw.
Mr. Charles Morris Smith.
" J. H. Stiness.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention be held in St. John's Church, Providence.

On motion,

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes of the day's proceedings, and the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes were then read and approved.

The Bishop offered prayer and pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned.

SAMUEL H. WEBB, *Secretary*.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

On the Sunday following the last Convention, June 16th, I visited St. Philip's Church, Crompton, and confirmed five persons. Everything pertaining to this parish is in a sound and healthy condition. In the afternoon I confirmed three at the St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix. I know of no place in the Diocese where a new church is more imperatively needed than it is here. The hall which we occupy is full to overflowing, and with an attractive and convenient edifice the congregation might be increased almost indefinitely. This mission is placed in the midst of a large and dense population, so that there is not much danger that the church would be idle for want of worshippers, as is the case in certain parts of the State.

On Sunday, June 23d, at the request of Bishop Potter, I confirmed seven in Christ Church, Riverdale, New York city.

On Sunday, June 30th, I admitted Mr. Henry Hague, a graduate of the Philadelphia Divinity School, to deacon's orders in Christ Church, Lonsdale. The candidate was presented by the Rev. H. C. Cunningham.

On Sunday, July 7th, I visited the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield; and in the afternoon confirmed five in St.

Peter's Chapel, Narragansett Pier. The Rev. C. H. Bixby has now entire charge of both places, his ministrations being equally acceptable to the resident population and the transient visitors. Worship still continues to be held in a hall at Wakefield.

On Sunday, July 21st, I visited St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich. The Rev. George P. Allen resigned the Rectorship at Easter, and the parish is now vacant.

On Sunday, August 18th and 25th, I again visited the Chapel at the Pier.

On Sunday, September 15, I visited All Saints Chapel, Newport, and in the afternoon, preached in St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown. At the next Convention I trust that I shall be able to report the erection of a new church on Conanicut island. Through the labors of the Rev. George J. Magill, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport, a brighter aspect has come over the face of things here.

On Saturday, September 28th, acting in behalf of Bishop Odenheimer, who is disabled by illness, I consecrated the Church of the Holy Communion, in Norwood, New Jersey. The next day, Sunday, I admitted the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, 2d, to the Priesthood, and confirmed eight in the same church.

On Sunday, October 13th, I visited St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and the Church of the Holy Cross, Middletown. The latter has been put in complete order and beautifully decorated.

On Sunday, December 8th, I visited St. Thomas's Church, Greenville. Mr. C. H. Baggs has been officiating here for some time as a lay reader, and by his zeal he has inspired the people to make all the repairs and improvements that were needed in and about the building and premises, and everything is now ready for a rector to enter in and reap a rich harvest.

On Sunday, December 15th, I confirmed five in St. Gabriel's Church, Providence. The Rev. John C. Brooks, the Rector, had accepted a call to Christ Church, Springfield, Mass., and this was to be his last Sunday here. He did a good work during the short time that he was with us, and we all parted from him with regret. The Rev. A. B. Carver has been called to the charge of this Church, and has accepted.

On Sunday, December 22d, I preached in the Massachusetts State Prison at Concord, and also addressed a Bible class composed of 250 convicts. In the afternoon I visited the Episcopal Church recently established in the town of Concord.

On Sunday, December 29th, I visited the Church of the Epiphany, at Elmwood. I regret to say that this parish still remains destitute of a Rector. In the evening I confirmed eight in St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

On Sunday, January 26th, I visited Trinity Church, Bristol. Since that time the Rev. Joseph H. Johnson has entered upon his duties as Rector, the Rev. Samuel Moran having resigned and removed to another diocese.

On Sunday, February 9th, I preached in St. Mary's Chapel, on Cumberland Hill, which is now opened on every Sunday for divine service. The congregation was large and the music very superior. This enterprise has been struggling long and hard, but it now seems to be crowned with prosperity.

In the evening, I confirmed eight in Emmanuel Church, Manville. Both the Chapel and the Church are now in the charge of the Rev. Henry Hague, and the utmost harmony prevails in all quarters.

On the evening of Ash Wednesday, I confirmed fifteen in the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

On Sunday, March 2d, I confirmed twenty-six in Christ Church, Westerly. There is one peculiar feature in this parish that is worth noting. The church is sustained, and well sustained, without pew-rents, invested funds, envelope systems, or any outside contrivances for raising money. The secret of it is, that the people have a willing mind, and, believing that the laborer is worthy of his hire, they contribute spontaneously according to their several ability.

On Sunday, March 9th, I confirmed three in St. George's Church, Lincoln; two at St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls; and five at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket. The prospects of the new mission at Valley Falls are most encouraging, and large congregations attend our service.

On Sunday, March 16th, I confirmed five in St. Paul's, and six in Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

On Sunday, March 23rd, I confirmed eleven in St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

On Sunday, March 30th, I visited St. John's Church, Barrington. After a longer service in the ministry than that of any other clergyman of our church now living in New England, the Rev. Dr. S. B. Shaw has resigned his Rectorship and removed to this city. Few men can show a cleaner or better record. Although he has nearly fulfilled his fourscore years, Dr. Shaw is still ready for active work wherever his services may be needed, for his speech does not fail, neither is his natural force abated. I trust that his voice may continue to be heard in our churches for many a year to come. The Rev. Wm. M. Chapin has just accepted a call to this parish.

On the evening of March 30th, I confirmed eleven in St. Mark's Church, Warren.

On the 2d of April, I confirmed five in St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

On Sunday, April 6th, I confirmed eight in Zion Church, Newport.

On the 8th of April, I confirmed seven in St. Mary's Church, East Providence, in addition to eight others already confirmed.

On the evening of Good Friday I confirmed twenty-one in Christ Church, South Providence. I never visit this parish without regretting that we did not originally build the church with treble its present capacity.

On Easter morning, I confirmed forty-one in Grace Church, Providence; and in the evening, confirmed fifteen in the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

On Sunday, April 20th, I confirmed twenty-three in Saint John's Church, and in the evening confirmed fourteen in the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

On Sunday, April 27th, I confirmed thirteen in Christ Church, Lonsdale, and in the evening confirmed seventeen in St. John's Church, Ashton.

On Sunday, May 4th, I confirmed eleven in St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

On the 7th and 8th of May, the General Missionary Board held a conference in this city, when we were favored with the presence of both of our Secretaries and several distinguished clerical and lay speakers from abroad. The attendance upon these exercises was respectably good, and in some cases very large, and I trust that the general effect was to excite a deeper interest in the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

On Sunday, May 11th, I confirmed sixteen in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence. In the afternoon I visited St. Peter's Church, Manton. In the evening, I confirmed eleven in St. Thomas's Chapel, Providence. The small building in which services are held has been removed to a better location, and the grounds about it are well enclosed. I con-

sider the work that is going on here worthy of special remark. The Chapel is crowded with attentive and earnest worshippers, and this under the supervision of a lay reader, who receives no missionary aid. The statistics of this little flock will compare favorably with those of our long-established parishes.

On Friday evening, May 16th, the celebration of the semi-centennial jubilee of Grace Church, Providence, was opened with a sermon by the present Rector, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

On Saturday morning, after the usual service, a discourse was preached by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Fuller, Professor in Berkeley Divinity School, Connecticut, who was the first Rector of this church. In the afternoon, at the request of the Rector and Vestry, I delivered an historical address.

On Sunday morning, the Rev. Dr. Alexander H. Vinton, who was the third Rector of Grace Church, preached, and in the evening, the Rev. Dr. George C. Currie, who preceded the present incumbent in the rectorship, delivered the closing sermon. The occasion was one of peculiar interest. Five of the six surviving rectors took part in the services, and a letter was read from one who was unable to be present, as also from the Rev. Dr. Burroughs, who once supplied the church, and from Bishop Spalding, who was at one time an assistant minister. Letters were received from others who were formerly connected in some way with the parish. Few churches in the land have had a more substantial and steady growth, and few have done more, in proportion to their ability, to aid and advance the prosperity of other parishes.

On the 21st of May, I visited St. Thomas's Church, Greenville, and confirmed four.

On Ascension day, I confirmed eighteen in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, and in the evening confirmed two in St.

Mary's Church, East Providence, making in all seventeen during the year.

On the Sunday after Ascension, I visited St. James's Church, Providence; and in the afternoon confirmed three in All Saints' Church, Pontiac. I am happy to announce that a new stone church will probably be erected in this village.

On the 27th of May I confirmed eight in the Church of the Saviour, Providence; making twenty-three in all during the year.

On Sunday, June 1st, I confirmed six in St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

On the 4th of June I confirmed seven in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket; two of whom were from Trinity Church, Pawtucket, making in all, ten confirmed in St. Paul's, and eight in Trinity.

On Trinity Sunday, June 8th, I confirmed forty-five in Trinity Church, Newport, fourteen of whom were from St. John's Chapel; and twenty-four in Emmanuel Church, Newport, one of whom was from Zion Church. In the evening I visited St. John's Chapel.

The whole number confirmed in the Diocese during the year is four hundred and twenty-nine.

With few exceptions the churches appear to be in a prosperous condition, and much united in heart and spirit. The variations in rite and usage are very slight, and are not such as to call for any special comment. There is a marked improvement in the style and character of our church music, with a corresponding diminution in the expense attending it. Certain parishes might be mentioned whose congregational singing has been brought to great perfection.

One thing is to be much deplored, and that is, the falling off of our young people from attendance upon public worship. In many of the churches very few children are to be seen on

Sunday. What must be the result of their thus growing up, with none of the peculiar associations which pertain to the sanctuary and its solemn services, it is not difficult to anticipate. At least once in the week, they ought to be called to join in the common prayers and praises of the church. Home instruction, however faithful, and Sunday School exercises, however attractive, are not a sufficient substitute for our stated public worship. How the children spend the time, which they were once expected to pass in church, is a question that deserves attention. Would it not be well for the clergy to bring this subject before the people of their charge?

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

James L. McKinlay, Hezekiah W. Monro.

ORDINATION.

Mr. Henry Hague has been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons.

CLERGY TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. Charles E. Fitz to the Diocese of Maine.

The Rev. Charles R. Talbot to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Rev. Samuel Moran to the Diocese of Maine.

The Rev. John Cotton Brooks to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

CLERGY RECEIVED INTO THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. Joseph H. Johnson,
from the Diocese of New York.
The Rev. A. B. Carver, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

CLERGY DEPOSED FROM THE MINISTRY.

I have received notice that the following persons have been deposed from the ministry:

George M. Hubbard,	By Bishop Kip.
Pliny B. Morgan,	" Bishop Jaggar.
Edson B. Cartmill,	" Bishop Jaggar.
John W. Doremus,	" Bishop Gregg.
James N. Hume,	" Bishop Bedell.
J. A. D. Hughes,	" Bishop M. A. D'W. Howe.
James Lavelle,	" Bishop Scarborough.
William C. Wilson,	" Bishop Scarborough.
Thomas W. Newby,	" Bishop Scarborough.
Robert E. Terry,	" Bishop Doane.
C. Inglis Chapin,	" Bishop M. A. D'W. Howe.
A. J. Faust,	" Bishop Pinkney.

LIST OF PARISHES.

I would suggest to the Convention the expediency of some canonical provision for the periodical revision of the list of parishes reported as existing in the Diocese, with the passage of a rule to the effect that, when any parish has not been represented in Convention for a certain number of years, and has not, during the same period of time, paid the assessments levied by the Convention, or elected a vestry, or held any public services, it shall be dropped from the roll. I am satisfied that the general statistics of the Church convey, in many respects, an erroneous idea of its actual strength. There is quite a large number of the churches reported which exist only on paper, and are never likely to be resuscitated.

The proportion of defunct parishes is not very large in this Diocese, but still I think that it may be well for us to revise the list and make it accord with the facts. There might come an emergency, as in the case of the election of a Bishop, when representatives from these paper parishes would appear in Convention to control its action, and then they might cease to exist again, for an indefinite period. If any parish thus dropped from the list should ever come to life, it could be re-admitted to the Convention by making canonical application to that effect. Whenever a clergyman ceases to officiate, except for the cause of sickness or old age, he loses his vote, and it does not seem to be reasonable that a parish, long defunct, should be at liberty to re-appear in Convention with all the privileges pertaining to other living churches.

ORGANIZATION OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The division of the church into provinces, with such changes in the constitution of the General Convention as may be incident thereto, is likely to attract attention, and may, perhaps, become matter of legislation at the next meeting of that body. The Convention that follows, in 1883, will be the centennial, and it may then be thought a fitting time to re-arrange the general bond of union by which our forty-eight dioceses are now held together, and provide for some new basis of representation, and also for less frequent sessions. There are many reasons which would lead us to deplore any course of action which looked like a sundering of the practical unity which now characterizes our communion throughout the length and breadth of these United States. It is not a time when we can afford to deal lightly with any social or religious tie that helps to bind the people of this great republic together, and make them feel that they are members of one

household. It is true that the introduction of the Provincial system would not impair the essential unity of the church, and in some form it may, after a while, become desirable and inevitable; but if the General Convention should be resolved into a mere court of appeal, meeting once in ten or fifteen years, to see that the smaller synods are conducting themselves properly, the living sympathy which now comes from the meeting together at short intervals of representatives from every quarter of the Church, and looking each other in the face and hearing each other's voice, would be lost. As it is, such a thing as sectional legislation is never dreamed of, and probably never will be. Nobody would think of suggesting that there are any local considerations, which would justify the division of the Church into provinces. But it is urged, and with some force, that our General Convention is getting to be an unwieldy body, and that, further, as at present constituted, it involves an enormous expense. For the latter reason, it would not be practicable for it to meet anywhere but in a large city, where liberal and wealthy Churchmen can be found in sufficient numbers to meet the cost of the session, and there is manifested some reluctance, even in our large cities, to entertain this ponderous assemblage. The further cost, to which either the Dioceses or those whom they elect to represent them are subjected, in sending the delegates to Convention, especially where they must come from Oregon and Texas, and other remote regions, to some one of our eastern cities, is a matter of still greater moment. More money is needed to get the Bishop and the Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention, from some of our Dioceses, than they expend upon all branches of general missions in the course of a year, perhaps in three years.

There is another view of the subject which I am inclined to press, and I can do it with better grace, as representing one

of the smaller Dioceses. As you well know, every Diocesan Bishop has his seat in the General Convention in virtue of his office, and no one would ever object to this. But all our Dioceses, great and small, are also represented by four Clerical and four Lay Deputies. I consider this to be a very unfair ratio of representation. To illustrate what I mean, let me give you a few statistics. There are thirteen Dioceses in which the whole number of clergy is seventeen less than the number that are enrolled in the one Diocese of New York. The communicants in the latter Diocese more than outnumber all that can be found in seventeen other Dioceses. The amount contributed by the Diocese of New York to General Domestic Missions, through the regular Board, is more than four times as much as all that is given by thirty-eight other Dioceses. Is it right that in the legislation of the Church the vote of New York should be liable to be neutralized by any one of these thirty-eight Dioceses?

How long would the nation endure it, if the constitution of the United States gave to Rhode Island the same number of electoral votes, or the same number of Representatives in Congress which are allotted to the State of New York or Pennsylvania?

A fair basis of representation in our General Convention would seem to be something like this: let every Diocese be represented as at present by its Bishop, and by one Clerical and one Lay Deputy. Wherever the number of parochial clergy exceeds fifty, let there be one additional Clerical, and one additional Lay Deputy, and the same increase of representation for every fifty, after the number of clergy exceeds one hundred. I would restrict the number of deputies in accordance with the number of *parochial* clergy in a diocese, or such as are employed in Church Institutions, because, where there may happen to be, as is the case in a few

Dioceses, a large proportion of unemployed clergymen, it would not be fair to give the Diocese the benefit of their presence. Such a change as this would not only be just, but it would so reduce the size of the General Convention, that we might hope to see its triennial sessions continue to be held for many years to come, and the working unity of the Church remain undisturbed.

It is true that such a change as this would reduce our Diocesan representation to a lower rate, than on some grounds we might be entitled to claim. We have not fifty clergymen in this Diocese, and are not likely to have at present, while there are but six Dioceses in the land that contribute as much to the general missions of the Church; but this is not a sufficient reason for our objecting to the change that has been suggested.

I am inclined still further to believe that the legislation of the General Council of the Church would be performed more promptly and wisely, if the responsibility devolved upon fewer men; there might, perhaps, be somewhat less of eloquent and elaborate talk, but the practical good attained would console us for the loss of this.

The matter in question has already been brought before the large Diocese of Pennsylvania, and the smaller Diocese of Easton, and I would ask this Convention to give to the subject such consideration as in their judgment it may deserve.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The report comes to us from almost every Diocesan Convention, that they have great difficulty in sustaining home missions within their own borders. So far as our own work is concerned, I may say, that with scarcely an exception, the

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missions in this Diocese were never in a more hopeful condition. I do not believe that any of the money which you bestow upon other and more distant fields, yields a richer and more steady return than that which is given to sustain our own missionaries in Rhode Island. They are an able and hard-working set of men, and their influence for good is felt in various ways throughout the community in the midst of which they minister. The Board never allows them to wait when their stipends are due; but it is harder for us to get the money to pay them than it ought to be. The Secretary of the Board will give you the details, and I leave the matter here, simply entreating that no parish in this Diocese may ever fail to remember their own missionaries in the yearly distribution of their charities. Every missionary station is *obliged* to make stated offerings to the Board. This they always do, however hard it may be for them to sustain their own services.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

In my last address I called the attention of the Convention to the importance of taking some steps for the increase of the Episcopal fund. I shall never cease to regret that when I undertook several years ago, to secure this fund, I should have stopped as I did, before I had made anything like a fair canvass of the Diocese. All that was received at that time came from some eight or ten churches, and, so far as I know, nothing has since been received from any of the rest, towards the permanent fund. It was not at all the fault of the non-contributing parishes that they gave nothing, for if they had been asked they would undoubtedly have contributed as generously as others did, in proportion to their ability. I stopped, however, as I did, because of a natural feeling of exhaustion.

But the time has now come when one of three things must be done. The Episcopal fund must be increased, inasmuch as the interest on investments is reduced; or the churches must be assessed to meet the deficiency; or the salary paid must be diminished. For the sake of him who may succeed me, as well as out of regard to the general reputation of a Diocese so wealthy and liberal as Rhode Island, I should regret to see the salary lowered, but would prefer to contribute to the income of the fund, whatever the Convention may regard as a proper sum, until the fund itself can be increased. I should be very sorry to have the churches of the Diocese feel that they were overburdened in the support of the Episcopate. If the times should take a favorable turn during the coming year, it may not be difficult to secure some addition to the fund from sources which have not yet been tested.

STATE OF THE DIOCESE.

The monthly meetings of the clergy for conference and friendly discussion continue to be well attended, and to excite a general interest. A series of able papers on various theological and other topics have been read and discussed with the utmost freedom and good feeling. The varieties of opinion which must always be looked for in an age of active thought are thus brought out in bold relief, while, at the same time, opposing views are not unfrequently modified and softened by this candid and open interchange of sentiment. The almost entire absence of anything like a narrow, partizan spirit in our ranks, and the mutual toleration which necessarily ensues, makes it possible for us all to come into these conferences with a kind and fraternal spirit. The small territorial size of the Diocese, and the general facilities of communication, make it much easier for our clergy to come

together at short intervals than it would be in most other dioceses. We all live within two or three hours distance from each other, and this of itself tends to give a kind of family tone to our little Diocese.

The pressure from without is such that we cannot afford to waste our strength in controversy upon points which do not pertain to the substance of the faith. I wonder at the prominence given to certain questions of ritual and dogma in an age when the vital matter at issue is one which strikes the very citadel of all forms of true religion. The hour has come when, forgetting all our minor differences, we must rally around the Captain of our salvation, and resolve to fight in defence of the Cross. In this contest, he that is not with us is against us, and he that is not against us is with us.

In our own Diocese the operations of the Woman's Auxillary to the Board of Missions have tended to bring the several parishes together in fraternal sympathy and concord, and to make us all feel more sensibly the essential unity of the Church. When the Diocese of Rhode Island began, a half century ago, to put on its strength and extend its borders, almost all the money that was expended came from parochial societies, established and carried on by women. A sum amounting to ten per cent. on the salaries of the respective clergymen, was pledged by the churches to the work of Diocesan Missions, and as a rule, it was raised and paid into the treasury by female workers. Now that they have once more taken in hand this home work, we may look for better results than we have had of late years.

I am unwilling to close this address without some allusion to the loss which the Church has sustained in the death of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph P. B. Wilmer, late Bishop of Louisiana. Those of you who can recall his visit to this city during the last session of the General Convention, will not fail to remem-

ber the earnest and pleasant words which he spoke to our Sunday Schools and congregations, and those who have known him well, as I have done for more than thirty years, cannot but feel that a great and good man has fallen in Israel. He will be sorely missed in our house of Bishops, where the union of a childlike simplicity, with a singular shrewdness, of a sort of unconscious humor with the most pious earnestness, combined to give his words an extraordinary charm, and to compel attention whenever he rose to address us. He had a wonderful gift in approaching men who were indifferent or hostile to religion, and winning their respect and affection. He was taken from the earth without a moment's time for preparation, but he always kept his loins girded and his light burning, so that whenever the Master might call for him, he was ready. May we all in like manner so live, that we shall never be afraid or unprepared to die.

Appendix.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PROVIDENCE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Providence.

The Rev. C. A. L. RICHARDS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 10; Adults, 6; total, 16. Confirmed, 23. Communicants added—new, 23; by removal, 1; total added, 24. Died, 7. Removed, 1. Present number, about 400. Marriages, 10. Burials, 18. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 30; scholars, 225.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $1,171.71; Domestic Missions, $1,340.68; Foreign Missions, $2,924.40; Home Missions to Colored People, $142.40; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $281.90; Indian Missions, $384 22; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $3,646.34; total, $9,891.65.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $6,336 19; all other contributions, $3,019.99; total for Parish purposes, $9,356.18.

Grace Church, Providence.

THE REV. DAVID H. GREER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 25; Adults, 22; total, 47. Confirmed, 41. Communicants added—new, 41; by removal, 6; total added, 47. Died, 5. Removed, 2. Present number, 680. Marriages, 34. Burials, 19. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 50; scholars, 450.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $1,266.14; Domestic Missions, $813.63; Foreign Missions, $225.14; Home Missions to Colored People, $199.50; Education for the Ministry, $112 69; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $25; Indian Missions, $110; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $3,100.54; total, $5,852.64.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $10,008.43; all other contributions, $7,361.26; total for Parish Purposes, $17,369.69.

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

THE REV. JAMES W. COLWELL, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 10; Adults, 6; total, 16. Confirmed, 18. Communicants added—new, 18; by removal, 3; total added, 21. Died, 5. Removed, 4. Present number, 275. Marriages, 10. Burials, 19. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; scholars, 125.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $153.39; Domestic Missions, $74; Foreign Missions, $99.52; Home Missions to Colored People, $60; Education for the Ministry (Society for the Increase of the Ministry), $63.30; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $79.41; Nashotah, $36; Promoting Christianity among the Jews, $25; Sufferers by Yellow Fever, $105.50; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $1,212.07; total, $1,908.19.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $5,044.94; all other contributions, $68.26; total for Parish Purposes, $5,113 20.

A beautiful tablet of marble and brass, to the memory of the Rev. Henry Waterman, S. T. D., has been placed during the past year on the east end of the north aisle of the church; a large corona of polished brass in the chancel, also a memorial gift; and an appropriate cover for the font has also been presented.

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

THE REV. DANIEL HENSHAW, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 28; Adults, 9; total, 37. Confirmed, 16. Communicants added—new, 17; by removal, 10; total added, 27. Died, 4. Removed, 13. Present number, 346. Marriages, 14. Burials, 18. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 35; scholars, 333.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $147.75; Domestic Missions, $413.66; Foreign Missions, $192.58; Missionary boxes, $200; Education for the Ministry, $74.30; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $17.29; Mexican Missions, $52.26; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $17.31; Rhode Island Hospital, $112.92; $40; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $725.02; total, $1,993.09.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $5,152.74; total for Parish Purposes, $5,152.74.

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

THE REV. DELANCEY G. RICE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 23; Adults, 2; total, 25. Confirmed, 15. Communicants added—new, 15; by removal, 3; total added, 18. Died, 1. Re-

moved, 4. Present number, 117. Marriages, 20. Burials, 21. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 19; scholars, 130.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $9.45; Domestic Missions, $8; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $2; Rhode Island Hospital, $11.26; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $21.23; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $44.81; total, $96.75.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,578.59; total for Parish Purposes, $1,578.59.

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

THE REV. CHARLES H. WHEELER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 21; Adults, 7; total, 28. Confirmed, 14. Communicants added—new, 14; by removal, 4; total added, 18. Died, 3. Removed, 5. Present number, about 175. Marriages, 13. Burials, 18. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 26; scholars, about 225.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $25.65; Domestic Missions, $25; Foreign Missions, $25; Mexican Mission, $5.92; Mission School, Syria, Mrs. Hays's, $25; Communion Alms, $67; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $72; total, $245.57.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,350; all other contributions, $350; total for Parish Purposes, $1,700.

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

THE REV. JOHN C. HEWLETT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 19; Adults, 4; total, 23. Confirmed, 23. Communicants added—new, 20; by removal, 7; total added, 27. Died, 2. Removed, 11. Present number, 142 Marriages, 11. Burials, 21. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 25; scholars, 196.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $15; Education for the Ministry, $4; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5.88; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $33; Promoting Christianity among the Jews, $3 50; total, $61.38.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship,* $1,853.33; all other contributions, $558.47; total for Parish Purposes, $2,411 80.

Christ Church, Providence.

THE REV. SAMUEL H. WEBB, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 34; Adults, 6; total, 40. Confirmed, 21. Communicants added—new, 21; by removal, 2; total added, 23. Removed, 15. Present number, 158. Marriages, 13. Burials, 28. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 22; scholars, 220.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $20; Domestic Missions, $12.50; Foreign Missions, $12.50; Education for the Ministry, $7; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $23.02; total, $78.02.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings for the support of Public Worship, $758.04; all other contributions, $308.09; total for Parish Purposes, $1,066.13.

*Received from St. John's Church, $45; from Mrs. Mary L. Newcomb's estate, $340.

St. James's Church, Providence

THE REV. W. D. U. SHEARMAN, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 20; total, 20. Removed, 4. Communicants—present number, 96. Marriages, 5. Burials, 28. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 120; scholars, 110.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $8; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $9; Communion Alms for Poor, $10; Sunday School, for Church Music, $86; total, $113.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $525.03; contributions from friends outside of Parish, $400; total for Parish Purposes, $925.03.

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

VACANT.

WILLIAM SWEENEY AND GEORGE M. DANIELS, WARDENS.

Baptisms—total, 17. Confirmed, 5 Communicants—present number, 40. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 7; scholars, 60.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For the Relief of Yellow Fever Sufferers, $20.71. Total, $20.71.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,835.82; all other contributions, $120.09; total for Parish Purposes, $1,955.91.

St. Thomas's Chapel, Providence.

REV. C. H. WHEELER, IN CHARGE.

Baptisms—Adults, 2, Infants, 17; total, 19. Communicants—about 22.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

For Lay Reading, $200; addition to Chapel, $150; other Parish Purposes, $75; total for Parish Purposes, $425.

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

O. O. WRIGHT, LAY READER.

EDWARD D. BASSETT, WILLIAM HALTON, WARDENS.

Communicants.* Present number, 24. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 20; scholars, 124.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $17.95; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $18.70; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $16; total, $57.65.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the Support of Public Worship, $711.31; all other contributions, $187.22; total for Parish Purposes, $898.53.

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

THE REV. EMERY HUNTINGTON PORTER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 32; Adults, 6; total 38. Confirmed, 10. Communicants added—New, 10; by removal, 2; total added, 12. Died, 3. Pres-

*As our Church has been without a Rector during the past year we omit list of communicants in report.

ent number, 271. Marriages, 18. Burials, 39. Sunday School—teachers and Officers, 19; Scholars, 180.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $100; Domestic Missions, $84.43; Foreign Missions, $35; Education for the Ministry, $8; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $7.57; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $58.27; the Jews, $9; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $372.90; total, $675.17.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $3,597.04; all other contributions, $285.91; total for Parish Purposes, $3,882.95.

By the will of the late Mr. David LeFavour, for many years a Vestryman of the Parish, the sum of $2,500, and the estate of the late Rev. Dr. Taft, were bequeathed to the Corporation of St. Paul's, as the joint gift of Mr. and Mrs. LeFavour.

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

THE REV. WILLIAM PACKARD TUCKER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 19; Adults, 5; total, 24. Confirmed, 8. Communicants added—new, 8; by removal, 7; total added, 15. Died, 3; Removed, 3; Present number, 195. Marriages. 5. Burials, 11. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 18; Scholars, 130.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $21.67; Domestic Missions, $50.25; Foreign Missions, $6.70; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $11.30; Church of Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, $20; St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown, $9; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $64.68; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $77.79; total, $261.39

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,528.42; all other contributions, $1,415.97; total for Parish Purposes, $3,944.39.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

THE REV. BENJAMIN EASTWOOD, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 33; Adults, 2; total, 35. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added—new, 4; by removal, 8; total added, 12. Died, 2; Removed, 14; Present number, 112. Marriages, 9. Burials, 11. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; Scholars, 175.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, about, $11; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $37.24; total, $48 24.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $432.24; all other contributions, $767.11; total for Parish Purposes, $1,199.35.

St. George's Church, Lincoln.

CENTRAL FALLS.

THE REV. CHARLES M. PYNE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 15; Adults, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—new, 3; by removal, 1; total added, 4. Died, 1; Removed, 3; Erased from List, 1; present number, 89. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 10; scholars, 73.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $29.78; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $2; Rhode Island Hospital, $6.54; St. Matthew's Mission,

Jamestown, $3.50; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $5.85; total, $47.67.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $508.39; all other contributions, including Guild, Sunday School offerings and donations, $879.09; total for Parish Purposes, $1,387.48.

We have been enabled, during the past two years, through the exertions of some earnest parishioners, and the kindness of friends outside the parish, to reduce our permanent debt by one thousand ($1,000,) dollars, and some money is in hand for a further reduction in the fall.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

VACANT.

No services have been held in this Church since June, 1878. In the days of its prosperity, this Church was a generous contributor to Missionary and charitable objects. It *now* justly deserves the attention of the Board of Missions.

D. G. RICE.

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

THE REV. S. H. WEBB, MISSIONARY.

Baptisms—Infants, 4; total, 4. Communicants added—by removal, 3; total added, 3; removed, 5; present number, 35. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 80.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $16; Domestic Missions, $5; Foreign Missions, $5; Education for the Ministry, $3; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $2; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $2; total, $33.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $300; all other contributions, $62 45; total for Parish Purposes, $362.45.

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

THE REV. H. C. CUNNINGHAM, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 13; Adults, 3; total, 16. Confirmed, 13. Communicants added—new, 13; total added, 13. Died, 6; Present number, 333. Marriages, 8. Burials, 14. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 40; scholars, 360.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5; Yellow Fever sufferers, $72; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $350; total, $427.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,217.59; total for Parish Purposes, $2,217.59.

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

THE REV. ROBERT MURRAY, JR., RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 24; Adults, 1; total, 25. Confirmed, 17. Communicants added—new, 17; by removal, 4; total added, 21. Died, 1; Removed, 8; Present number, 73. Marriages, 4. Burials, 13. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 19; scholars, 260.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Foreign Missions, $6.02; Rhode Island Hospital, $8.80; Sunday School Offerings, $84.28; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $8; American Church Missionary Society, $25; Communion Alms, $55.48; Yellow Fever Relief Fund, $36.80; total, 224.38.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,323.28; total for Parish Purposes, $1,323.28.

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

THE REV. JOSEPH LYONS MILLER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; Adults, 4; total, 20. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—new, 11; by removal, 2; total added, 13. Died, 3; Removed, 10; Present number, 210. Marriages, 7. Burials, 22. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 32; scholars, 250.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNIOM ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $93.26; Domestic Missions, $12.50; Foreign Missions, $13.02; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $10; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $53.58; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $167.43; total, $349.79.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,416.48; all other contributions,* $1,046.14; total for Parish Purposes, $3,462.62.

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

THE REV. HENRY HAGUE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 8; Adults, 4; total, 12. Confirmed, 8. Communicants added—new, 8; by removal, 3; total added, 11. Removed, 2; Present number, 40. Marriages, 2. Burials, 12. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 22; scholars, 125.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions, $5; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $5; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $9.83; total, $24.83.

*$792.24 included in above have been added to the "Rectory Fund."

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

For Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $746.93; all other contributions,* $208.66; total for Parish Purposes, $955.59.

This report covers only eleven months.

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

VACANT.

WILLIAM CLEGG, JOSEPH ESTES, WARDENS.

Baptisms—Adults 1; total, 1. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added—new, 4; by removal, 1; total, 5. Died, 1; Present number, 46. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 8; scholars, 45.

MISSOINARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Domestic Missions, $10; total, $10.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $350; all other contributions, (for repairs,) $760; total for Parish Purposes, $1,110.

Calvary Church, Burrillville.

VACANT.

(No Report.)

Trinity Church, South Scituate.

VACANT.

(No Report.)

* $48.33 is to be credited to St. Mary's, Cumberland Hill.

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

THE REV. DANIEL I. ODELL, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 29; Adults, 4; total, 33. Confirmed, 17. Communicants added—new, 17; by removal, 4; total added, 21. Died, 1. Removed, 5. *Present number, as per list, 64. Marriages, 4. Burials, 8. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 10; scholars, 110.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Missions, $14; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $15; total, $29.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,000; total for Parish Purposes, $1,000.

The Parish School, re-opened September 3d, 1878, now numbers thirty-six children in actual attendance. Since Sunday, November 3d, 1878, the services have been heartily and gladly offered by a choir of men and boys.

St. Luke's Church, East Providence.

VACANT.

(No Report.)

BRISTOL COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Barrington.

THE REV. S. BRENTON SHAW, D. D., RECTOR UNTIL EASTER SUNDAY, 1879.

Baptisms—Infants, 2; total, 2. Communicants added—by removal, 3;

*Ten communicants, as registered on list, have not received Holy Communion for some time previous to the taking charge of Parish by present Rector.

total added, 3. Died, 3. Present number, about 54. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 5; scholars, 45.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $5; Domestic Missions, $5; Foreign Missions, $4; Home Missions to Colored People, $2; Education for the Ministry, $5; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3; Sufferers by Yellow Fever, $23; Indian Commission, $2; Mexico, 2; Communion Alms, and for all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $199.73; total, $250.73.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $736.36; all other contributions, $439.59; total for Parish Purposes, $1,165.95.

After a Rectorship of more than twelve years, the late Rector closed his ministry in this parish on Easter day, April 13th. Its situation is peculiar. A number of its pew-holders are summer residents, and several of its communicants reside in other towns. During the past year one of Hook's celebrated organs has been purchased, and the furnace renewed. May God bless all proper efforts made for the culture of the vine of His own planting.

The financial report is for the Conventional year. Rev. W. M. Chapin, late assistant of Christ Church, Hartford, has been elected Rector, and began his labors Trinity Sunday.

J. C. BURRINGTON, } WARDENS.
HENRY STAPLES, }

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

THE REV. WILLIAM N. ACKLEY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 4; Adults, 6; total, 10. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—new, 11; by removal, 3; total added, 14. Died, 4. Removed, 3. Present number, 174. Marriages, 7. Burials, 19. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 17; scholars, 150.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $122.50; Domestic Missions, $26 50; Foreign Missions, $26.50; Home Missions to Colored People, $7; Education for the Ministry, $20; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $13.80; Colorado, $21.10; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $112; Indian Missions, $11.20; Mission to the Jews, $3.28; Mexico, $21.50; Bishop Tuttle, $40; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $95 21; total, $520.59.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,524.07; all other contributions, $152.90; total for Parish Purposes, $1,676.97.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

The Rev. GEORGE L. LOCKE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 15; Adults, 2; total, 17. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—new, 15; by removal, 2; total added, 17. Died, 5. Removed, 3. Present number, 415. Marriages, 9. Burials, 19. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 36.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $172.45; Domestic Missions, $150; Foreign Missions, $329.52; Home Missions to Colored People, $5; Education for the Ministry, $100; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $34; Indian Missions, $70; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $558.76; total, $1,419.73.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $4,013.92; all other contributions, $1,879.30; total for Parish Purposes, $5,893.22.

Trinity Church, Bristol.

THE REV. JOSEPH H. JOHNSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; Adults, 3; total, 10. Communicants—removed, 3. Present number, 88. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 13; scholars, 110.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5.04: total, $5.04.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $885.99; all other contributions, $415.04; total for Parish Purposes, $1,301.03.

NEWPORT COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

THE REV. BENJAMIN H. CHASE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 2; total, 7. Confirmed, 6. Communicants added—new, 6; by removal, 4; total added, 10. Died, 1. Removed, 1. Present number, 71. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 5; scholars, 60.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $10; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $92.05; total, $107.05.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $750; all other contributions, $228; total for Parish Purposes, $978.

St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

THE REV. H. WILLIAMS, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 6; Adults, 1; total, 7. Communicants—died, 1. Removed 1. Present number, 64. Burials, 5. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 6; scholars, 34.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $21; Domestic Missions, $13.30; Foreign Missions, $7; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5.47; Mission to the Jews, $3; Saint Mary's, Memphis, $31.50; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $73.33; total, $154.60.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings for the support of Public Worship, $469.09; all other contributions, $244.85; total for Parish Purposes, $713.94.

Trinity Church, Newport.

THE REV. GEORGE J. MAGILL, RECTOR.

THE REV. W. INGRAM MAGILL, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms—Infants, 67; Adults, 26; total, 93. Confirmed, 45. Communicants added—new, 44; by removal, 4; total added, 48. Died, 6. Removed, 5. Present number, 464. Marriages, 11. Burials, 41. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 69; scholars, 425.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $146.16; Domestic Missions, $111.24; Foreign Missions, $78.26; Home Missions to Colored People, $125.93; Education

for the Ministry, $79.67; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $50.43; Yellow Fever Sufferers at Memphis, $765.50; St. John's Mission Chapel, $1,194.98; Mission at Jamestown, $902 54; Newport Hospital, $252.71; Needy Parishes, $105.31; Ladies' Auxiliary Association, $133.45; St. Mary's Orphanage, East Providence, $61.30; City Dorcas Society, $24; Nashotah, $37.30; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes not above specified, $2,162.89; total, $6,231.67.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, etc., for the support of Public Worship, $8,000; total for all purposes, $14,231.67.

In addition to the above contributions, the ladies of the Missionary Auxiliary Association have sent two boxes to missionaries in the West, valued at $610.

Zion Church, Newport.

The Rev. E. H. KETTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 7; total, 12. Confirmed, 9. Communicants added—new, 9; by removal, 12; total added, 21. Died, 3. Present number, 236. Marriages, 4. Burials, 13. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; scholars, 190.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Domestic Missions, $200; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $400; total, $600.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,478.76; all other contributions, $1,000; total for Parish Purposes, $3,478.76.

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

THE REV. ROBERT B. PEET, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 31; Adults, 9; total, 40. Confirmed, 23. Communicants added—new, 23; by removal. 2; total added, 25. Died, 5. Removed, 15. Present number, 235. Marriages, 12. Burials, 19. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 27; scholars, 242.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $9.42; Domestic Missions, $50.12; Foreign Missions, $88.31; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $20.77; Indian Missions, 65 13; Newport Hospital, $46 43; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $47; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $424.19; total, $751.37.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,389.23; all other contributions, $1,637.08; total for Parish Purposes, $4,026.31.

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

THE REV. GEORGE J. MAGILL, RECTOR.

THE REV. W. INGRAM MAGILL, ASSISTANT.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Yellow Fever Sufferers at Memphis, $21.32; total, $21.32.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $69.99; all other contributions, $900; total for Parish Purposes, $969 99.

Since the Bishop put this Church in charge of the Rector of Trinity Church, Newport, an effort has been made to erect a Chapel for public worship. The people of the place have subscribed nearly $1,400 for this object, of which $900 have been paid in. From other sources $1,600 have been promised, and it is expected that a sufficient sum will be raised to justify the beginning of the work in a few weeks.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Christ Church, Westerly.

The Rev. DARIUS RICHMOND BREWER, Rector.

Rev. S. G. BABCOCK, Assistant.

Baptisms—Infants, 13; Adults, 11; total, 24. Confirmed, 26. Communicants added—new, 21; by removal, 6; total added, 27. Died, 7. Removed, 15. Present number, 200. Marriages, 5. Burials, 12. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 29; scholars, 320.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $150.06; Rhode Island Hospital, $11 90; Foreign Missions, $59.76; Home Missions to Colored People, $29.71; Education for the Ministry, $152; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $27.43; Mexico, $81.81; Yellow Fever Sufferers ($31.75 from Sunday School), $154 75; Indians and China (from Sunday School), $90; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $122.17; total, $879.59.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,518.89; all other contributions, $368.15; total for Parish Purposes, $2,887.04.

A box of clothing, &c., valued at $150, was sent to a Missionary in Alabama, by the Ladies' Church Aid Society.

An Industrial School is held once a week during the winter.

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

The Rev. CHARLES H. BIXBY, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 2; Adults, 5; total, 7. Confirmed, 6. Communicants added—new, 6; by removal, 3; total added, 9. Died, 1. Present number, 75. Marriages, 5. Burials, 9. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 12; scholars, 70.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Education for the Ministry, $5; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $31.29; total, $36.29.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

All contributions, $1,675.59; total for Parish Purposes, $1,675.59.

Of the contributions for Parish Purposes, $1,200 were raised in connection with the services at St. Peter's Chapel, Narragansett Pier. All but $1,000 has now been pledged of the amount needed for the new church at Wakefield.

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

The Rev. WILLIAM WARREN AYRES, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 5; total, 10. Confirmed, 6. Communicants added—new, 6; by removal, 4; total added, 10. Died, 3. Removed, 5. Present number, 126. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 14; scholars, 90.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $82.23; Domestic Missions, $74 34; Foreign Missions, $22.33; Home Missions to Colored People, $10; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $14 34; Yellow Fever Sufferers, $75.09; Communion Alms, $21.84; total, $300.17.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the Support of Public Worship, $1,538.99; all other contributions, $318.23; total for Parish Purposes, $1,857.22.

KENT COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

VACANT.

EDWARD TAYLOR, Sen. Warden.

STUKELY B. WICKES, Jun. Warden.

Baptisms—Infants, 3; Adults, 2; total, 5. Communicants added—new, 2; total added, 2. Died, 3. Present number, 137. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 24; scholars, 150.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $235.83; total, $235.83.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $3,453.83; all other contributions, $72.50; total for Parish Purposes, $3,526.33.

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

The Rev. THOMAS H. COCROFT, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 6; Adults, 7; total 13. Confirmed, 3. Communicants—removed, 3; present number, 49. Marriages, 6. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 75.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $9; Domestic Missions, $17; Foreign Missions, $10; Education for the Ministry, $10; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $43; total, $94.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $440.30; all other contributions, $233.88; total for Parish Purposes, $674.18.

All Saints' Church, Pontiac.

THE REV. JOSEPH E. LINDHOLM, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 8; Adults, 2, total, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—new, 3; total added, 3; removed, 9; present number, 40. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 13; scholars, 92.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $18; Domestic Missions, $8; Foreign Missions, $11.50; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $4; Rhode Island Hospital, $4.50; Yellow Fever Sufferers, South, $18; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $47.12; total, $111.12.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,205.35*; total for Parish Purposes, $1,205.35.

St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix.

THE REV. T. H. COCROFT, MISSIONARY.

Baptisms—Infants, 1; Adults, 4; total, 5. Confirmed, 7. Communicants added—new, 7; total added, 7; removed, 1; present number, 17. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 65.

*Messrs. B. B. & R. Knight, of Providence, annually contribute $600 for the support of public worship, and also provide the parish with a rectory, rent free. Stone is being quarried at White Rock, near Westerly, R. I., and prepared for the erection of a new church edifice in this village.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $5; all Missionary and Charitable Purposes, $44; total, $49.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $71.64; all other contributions, $319.23; total for Parish Purposes, $390.87.

St Philip's Mission, Valley Falls.

THE REV. CHARLES M. PYNE, MINISTER.

Baptisms—Infants, 10; Adults, 1; total 11. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—new, 2; found in village, 6; total added, 8; present number, 8.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $10.75; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, $0.50; total, $11.25.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings for the support of Public Worship, $160.58; total for Parish Purposes, $160.58.

This Mission was opened May 12th, 1878, in a public hall. It was removed September 22d, 1878, to the Chapel of the Universalist Society, in which we have hired the privilege of holding afternoon services on Sunday.

Circumstances, heretofore insurmountable, have prevented my succeeding in opening a Sunday School, but I trust we shall be able to do so before long.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

RAHWAY, New Jersey, June 3d, 1879.

My Dear Bishop:

In accordance with the requirements of the canon, I beg leave to report to you that I have been engaged in active clerical work during the entire Conventional year of 1878–79, working principally in the diocese of New Jersey, under an appointment given me by Bishop Scarborough. Unless you particularly require it, I will not trouble you with any detailed account of my labors, as I have already given it to Bishop Scarborough.

In conclusion, I will merely say that I have officiated nearly every Sunday since I left Rhode Island.

With sentiments of the highest esteem, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

C. J. WHIPPLE.

THE RT. REV. T. M. CLARK, D. D.

Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark, D. D.:

During the Conventional year I have frequently officiated on Sundays and other occasions. Of three funerals I have attended, one is reported elsewhere.

E. M. PORTER.

LINCOLN, June 10, 1879.

APPENDIX.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

JUNE, 1879.

PLACES.	PARISHES.	RECTOR OR MINISTER.	BAPTISMS.			CONFIRMATIONS.	COMMUNICANTS.						MARRIAGES.	BURIALS.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.	
							ADDED.									
			Infants.	Adults.	Total.		New.	By Removal.	Total.	Died.	Removed.	Present Number.			Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	R. Murray, Jr.	24	1	25	17	17	4	21	1	8	73	4	13	19	260
Barrington	St. John's Church	W. M. Chapin	2	....	2	....	....	3	3	3	....	54	2	4	5	45
Bristol	St. Michael's Church.	George L. Locke	15	2	17	11	15	2	17	5	3	415	9	19	36	300
"	Trinity Church	J. H. Johnson	7	3	10	....	....	....	....	..	3	88	2	3	13	110
Burrillville	Calvary Church	Vacant*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Central Falls	St. George's Church	Charles M. Pyne	15	1	16	3	3	1	4	1	4	89	2	7	10	73
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Church	Vacant*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	T. H. Cocroft	6	7	13	3	....	....	....	..	3	49	6	....	9	75
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	Vacant	3	2	5	....	2	....	2	3	....	137	3	4	24	150
East Providence	St. Luke's Church	Vacant*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" "	St. Mary's Church	Daniel I. Odell	29	4	33	17	17	4	21	1	5	64	4	8	10	110
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	Vacant	....	1	1	4	4	1	5	1	....	46	....	4	8	45
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	G. J. Magill	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lonsdale	Christ Church	H. C. Cunningham	13	3	16	13	13	....	13	6	....	333	8	14	40	360
Manton	St. Peter's Church	S. H. Webb	4	....	4	....	....	3	3	..	5	35	....	4	9	80
Manville	Emmanuel Church	Henry Hague	8	4	12	8	8	3	11	..	2	40	2	12	22	125
Newport	Emmanuel Church	R. B. Peet	31	9	40	23	23	2	25	5	15	235	12	19	27	242
"	Trinity Church	G. J. Magill	67	26	93	45	44	4	48	6	5	404	11	41	69	425

Newport	Zion Church	E. H. Kettell	5	7	12	9	9	12	21	3	....	236	4	13	21	190
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	E. H. Porter	32	6	38	10	10	2	12	3	...	271	18	39	19	180
"	Trinity Church	W. P. Tucker	19	5	24	8	8	7	15	3	3	195	5	11	18	130
"	Church of the Good Shepherd	B. Eastwood	33	2	35	4	4	8	12	2	14	112	9	11	21	175
Phenix	St. Andrew's Mission	T. H. Cocroft	1	4	5	7	7	....	7	..	1	17	1	1	9	65
Pontiac	All Saints' Chapel	J. E. Lindholm	8	2	10	3	3	....	3	..	9	40	3	6	13	92
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	B. H. Chase	5	2	7	6	6	4	10	1	1	71	2	4	5	60
"	St. Mary's Church	H. Williams	6	1	7	....	....	....	....	1	1	64	.	5	6	34
Middletown	Chapel of the Holy Cross															
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Church.	D. Henshaw	28	9	37	16	17	10	27	4	13	346	14	18	35	333
"	Christ Church	S. H. Webb	34	6	40	21	21	2	23	..	15	158	13	28	22	220
"	Church of the Epiphany	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	...	4	20	124
"	Church of the Messiah	D. G. Rice	23	2	25	15	15	3	18	1	4	117	20	21	19	130
"	Church of the Redeemer.	C. H. Wheeler	21	7	28	14	14	4	18	3	5	175	13	18	26	225
"	Church of the Saviour	J. C. Hewlett	19	4	23	23	20	7	27	2	11	142	11	21	25	196
"	Grace Church	D. H. Greer	25	22	47	41	41	6	47	5	2	680	34	19	50	450
"	St. Gabriel's Church	A. B. Carver	....	17	17	5	5	....	5	....	....	40	4	7	7	60
"	St. James's Church	W. D. U. Shearman	20	....	20	....	....	....	....	..	4	96	5	28	10	110
"	St. John's Church	C. A. L. Richards	10	6	16	23	23	1	24	7	1	400	10	18	30	225
"	St. Stephen's Church	J. W. Colwell	10	6	16	18	18	3	21	5	4	275	10	19	21	125
"	St. Thomas's Chapel	C. H. Wheeler	17	2	19	....	....	....	....	..	....	22	....	....	.....	.....
South Scituate	Trinity Church	Vacant*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension.	C. H. Bixby	2	5	7	6	6	3	9	1	....	75	5	9	12	70
Warren	St. Mark's Church	W. N. Ackley	4	6	10	11	11	3	14	4	....	174	7	19	17	150
Westerly	Christ Church	D. R. Brewer	13	11	24	26	21	6	27	7	15	200	5	12	29	320
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	W. W. Ayres	5	5	10	6	6	4	10	3	5	126	4	5	14	90
Woonsocket	St. James's Church	J. L. Miller	16	4	20	11	11	2	13	3	10	210	7	22	32	250
Valley Falls	St. Philip's Mission	C. M. Pyne	10	1	11	2	2	6	8	..	....	8	...	....	.....	.....
		E. M. Porter	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	.....	.....
			590	205	795	429	424	120	544	90	171	6,396	269	514	782	6,374

*No Report.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

June, 1879.

PARISHES.	Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.								Contributions for Parish Purposes.			TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions for Colored People.	Education for the Ministry.	Widows and Orphans, etc., Fund.	Miscellaneous and Unspecified.	TOTAL.	Pew Rents, Offerings, etc., for support of Public Worship.	All other Contributions.	TOTAL.	
Ashton, St. John's		$25 00	$6 02			$8 00	$185 36	$224 38	$1,323 28		$1,323 28	$1,547 66
Barrington, St. John's	$5 00	5 00	4 00	$2 00	$5 00	3 00	226 73	250 73	736 36	$439 59	1,175 95	1,416 18
Bristol, St. Michael's	172 45	150 00	329 52	5 00	100 00	34 00	628 76	1,419 73	4,013 92	1,879 30	5,893 22	7,312 95
" Trinity						5 04		5 04	885 99	415 04	1,301 03	1,306 07
Burrillville, Calvary*												
Central Falls, St. George's	29 78					2 00	15 89	47 67	508 39	879 09	1,387 48	1,435 15
Cranston, St. Bartholomew's*												
Crompton, St. Philip's	9 00	17 00	10 00			5 00	43 00	84 00	440 30	233 88	674 18	758 18
East Greenwich, St. Luke's							235 83	235 83	3,453 83	72 50	3,526 33	3,762 16
East Providence, St. Luke's*												
" St. Mary's							29 00	29 00	1,000 00		1,000 00	1,029 00
Greenville, St. Thomas's	10 00							10 00	350 00	760 00	1,110 00	1,120 00
Jamestown, St. Matthew's							21 32	21 32	69 99	900 00	969 99	991 31
Lonsdale, Christ Church						5 00	422 00	427 00	2,217 59		2,217 59	2,644 59
Manton, St. Peter's	16 00	5 00	5 00		3 00	2 00	2 00	33 00	300 00	62 45	362 45	395 45
Manville, Emmanuel	5 00					5 00	14 83	24 83	746 93	208 66	955 59	980 42

Newport, Emmanuel	9 42	50 12	88 31			20 77	582 75	751 37	2,389 23	1,637 08	4,026 31	4,777 68
" Trinity	146 16	111 24	78 26	125 93	79 67	50 43	5,639 98	6,231 67	8,000 00		8,000 00	14,231 67
" Zion		200 00					400 00	600 00	2,478 76	1,000 00	3,478 76	4,078 76
Pawtucket, St. Paul's	100 00	84 43	35 00		8 00	7 57	440 17	675 17	3,597 04	285 91	3,882 95	4,558 12
" Trinity	21 67	50 25	6 70			11 30	171 47	261 39	2,528 42	1,415 97	3,944 39	4,205 78
" Good Shepherd	11 00						37 24	48 24	432 24	767 11	1,199 35	1,247 59
Phenix, St. Andrew's	5 00						44 00	49 00	71 64	319 23	390 87	439 87
Pontiac, All Saints'	18 00	8 00	11 50			4 00	69 62	111 12	1,205 35		1 205 35	1,316 47
Portsmouth, St. Paul's	10 00					5 00	92 05	107 05	750 00	228 00	978 00	1,085 05
" St. Mary's	21 00	13 30	7 00			5 47	107 83	154 60	469 09	244 85	713 94	868 54
Middletown, Holy Cross												
PROVIDENCE. All Saints' Memorial	147 75	413 66	192 58		74 30	17 29	1,147 51	1,993 09	5,152 74		5,152 74	7,145 83
Christ Church	20 00	12 50	12 50		7 00	3 00	23 02	78 02	758 04	308 00	1,066 13	1,144 15
Church of the Epiphany	17 95					5 00	34 70	57 65	711 31	187 22	898 53	956 18
Church of the Messiah	9 45	8 00				2 00	77 30	96 75	1,578 59		1,578 59	1,675 34
Church of the Redeem'r	25 65	25 00	25 00				169 92	245 57	1,350 00	350 00	1,700 00	1,945 57
Church of the Saviour	15 00				4 00	5 88	36 50	61 38	1,853 33	558 47	2,411 80	2,473 18
Grace Church	1,266 14	813 63	225 14	199 50	112 69	25 00	3,210 54	5,852 64	10,008 43	7,361 26	17,369 69	23,222 33
St. Gabriel's							20 71	20 71	1,835 82	120 09	1,955 91	1,976 62
St. James's	8 00						105 00	113 00	525 03	400 00	925 03	1,038 03
St. John's	1,171 71	1,340 68	2,924 40	142 40		281 90	4,030 56	9,891 65	6,336 19	3,019 99	9,356 18	19,247 83
St. Stephen's	153 39	74 00	99 52	60 00	63 30	79 41	1,378 57	1,908 19	5.044 94	68 26	5,113 20	7,021 39
St. Thomas's									200 00	225 00	425 00	425 00
South Scituate, Trinity*												
Wakefield, Ascension					5 00		31 29	36 29		1,675 59	1,675 59	1,711 88
Warren, St. Mark's	122 50	26 50	26 50	7 00	20 00	13 80	304 29	520 59	1,524 07	152 90	1,676 97	2,197 56
Westerly, Christ Church	150 06		59 76	29 71	152 00	27 43	460 63	879 59	2,518 89	368 15	2,887 04	3,766 63
Wickford, St. Paul's	82 23	74 34	22 33	10 00		14 34	96 93	300 17	1,538 99	318 23	1,857 22	2,157 39
Woonsocket, St. James's	93 26	12 50	13 02			10 00	221 01	349 79	2,416 48	1,046 14	3,462 62	3,812 41
Valley Falls, St. Philip's	10 75					50		11 25	160 58		160 58	171 83
	$3,883 32	$3,520 15	$4,182 06	$581 54	$633 96	$659 13	$20,758 31	$34,218 47	$81,481 78	$27,908 05	$109,389 83	$143,608 30

* Vacant, no Report.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

1878–79.

PARISHES—

Present number in union with the Convention	41
Number not in union with the Convention	3
CHURCHES AND CHAPELS	45
MISSION STATIONS, (exclusive of those where there is an organized Parish)	6

CLERGY—

Ordained to the Diaconate	1
Transferred to other Dioceses	4
Received from other Dioceses	2
Present number, (Bishop, 1; Priests, 42; Deacons, 2;)	45
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, June, 1879	2

BAPTISMS—

Infants	590	
Adults	205	795
CONFIRMED		429

COMMUNICANTS—

Added—New	424	
" By Removal	120	544

Died	90
Removed	171
Present number	6,396
MARRIAGES	269
BURIALS	514
SUNDAY SCHOOL—	
Teachers and Officers	782
Scholars	6,374

CONTRIBUTIONS

FOR MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES.

For Diocesan Missions	$3,883.32
" Domestic Missions	3,520.15
" Foreign Missions	4,182.06
" Home Missions to Colored People	581.54
" Education for the Ministry	633.96
" the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc	659.13
Miscellaneous and unspecified	20,758.31
Total Missionary and Charitable Contributions	$34,218.47

FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

Ordinary contributions for the support of Public Worship, (the usual pew rents, offerings and subscriptions for the regular maintenance of the Parish)	81,481.78
All other contributions for Parish Purposes, (special or extraordinary, for repairs, building, or whatever is not included under the previous head)	27,908.05
Total for Parish Purposes	$109,389.83
Total for all purposes	$143,608.30

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

ON THE

Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses.

The Committee on Finance report the amount required for the Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses to be twenty-six hundred dollars, and have made the following assessments:

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	$10 00	$2 00	$12 00
Barrington	St. John's Church	8 00	2 00	10 00
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	140 00	28 00	168 00
"	Trinity Church	9 00	2 00	11 00
Central Falls	St. George's Church	3 00	2 00	5 00
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Ch	4 00	2 00	6 00
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	3 00	2 00	5 00
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	53 00	10 00	63 00
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	2 00	2 00	4 00
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	2 00	2 00	4 00
Lonsdale	Christ Church	75 00	14 00	89 00
Manton	St. Peter's Church	2 00	2 00	4 00
Manville	Emmanuel Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
Newport	Emmanuel Church	25 00	10 00	35 00
"	Trinity Church	225 00	85 00	310 00
"	Zion Church	44 00	12 00	56 00
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	128 00	28 00	156 00
"	Trinity Church	52 00	19 00	71 00
Pontiac	All Saints' Chapel	8 00	2 00	10 00
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	2 00	2 00	4 00

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Ch.	$105 00	$28 00	$133 00
"	Christ Church	3 00	2 00	5 00
"	Church of the Epiphany.	3 00	2 00	5 00
"	Church of the Messiah	6 00	3 00	9 00
"	Church of the Redeemer.	18 00	10 00	28 00
"	Church of the Saviour	5 00	3 00	8 00
"	Grace Church	310 00	95 00	405 00
"	St. Gabriel's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
"	St. James's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
"	St. John's Church	310 00	95 00	405 00
"	St. Stephen's Church	190 00	38 00	228 00
South Portsmouth	St. Mary's Ch. and Chapel of Holy Cross	3 00	2 00	5 00
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension.	3 00	2 00	5 00
Warren	St. Mark's Church	60 00	14 00	74 00
Westerly	Christ Church.	75 00	17 00	92 00
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	50 00	12 00	62 00
Woonsocket	St. James's Church	70 00	19 00	89 00
		$2,022 00	$578 00	$2,600 00

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
Finance Committee.

PROVIDENCE, June 11th, 1879.

Dr. *Convention Expenses (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1878.		
June 12.	To balance from old account due the Treasurer,	$249 58
24.	To paid J. B. Benson for services attending Convention,	10 00
July 29.	To paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary of the Convention, salary,	100 00
Aug. 9.	To paid Providence Press Co. bill for printing Journals, &c.,	206 32
Nov. 11.	To paid town of Somerset, Mass., taxes on J. S. Borland's Estate for 1878,	32 38
1879.		
April 17.	To paid Providence Press Co. bill for envelopes, printing, &c., for Secretary,	17 50
June 7.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, traveling expenses for 1878,	100 00
		$715 78
1879.		
June 10.	To balance due Treasurer to new account,	$171 23

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

The above account has been examined and compared with the vouchers, and found to be correct.

GEORGE LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
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Finance Committee.

1878.		
June 12.	By assessment, June, 1876, on— Zion Church, Newport,	$10 00
	By assessment, June, 1877, on	
	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	20 00
24.	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	2 00
	By assessment, June, 1878, on—	
	Grace Church, Providence,	90 00
Aug. 14.	St. George's Church, Central Falls,	1 80
	St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	1 80
	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	9 00
	Emmanuel Church, Manville,	1 80
	Trinity Church, Newport,	81 00
21.	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	13 50
26.	St, John's Church, Barrington,	1 80
28.	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	9 00
Oct. 10.	St. Mary's Chapel, South Portsmouth,	1 80
12.	Christ Church, Westerly,	13 50
Nov. 4.	Trinity Church, Bristol,	1 80
	Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	1 80
19.	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	1 80
26.	Church of the Messiah, Providence,	4 50
1879,		
Jan. 7.	Church of the Redeemer, Providence,	9 00
Mch. 10.	St. John's Church, Providence,	90 00
14.	Christ Church, Lonsdale.	13 50
	Church of the Saviour, Providence,	3 60
April 7.	Christ Church, Providence,	1 80
	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	1 80
8.	St. Mark's Church, Warren,	16 20
16.	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	18 00
23.	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	27 00
May 9.	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	36 00
Jan. 2.	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	1 80
6.	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	27 00
7.	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	27 00
9.	St. Thomas's Church, Greenville,	1 80
10.	St. James's Church, Providence,	3 15
	To balance to new account,	171 23
		$715 78

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Bishop's Salary, (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1878.			
Aug.	3.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	$1,250 00
Oct.	7.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	350 00
Nov.	4.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	400 00
1879.			
Jan.	1.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	1,500 00
March	10.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	450 00
April	25.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	400 00
May	31.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	500 00
June	7.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, balance of salary to April 1, 1879,	500 00
	10.	To balance to new account,	635 02
Amount carried forward,			$5,985 02

1878.			
June	12.	By balance from old account.	$2 01
		By assessment, June, 1876, on—	
		Zion Church, Newport,	45 00
		By assessment, June, 1877, on—	
		St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	113 00
	24.	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	5 50
		By assessment, June, 1878, on—	
		Grace Church, Providence,	360 00
July	12.	By received from Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	1,300 00
Aug.	14.	By assessment June, 1878, on—	
		St. George's Church, Central Falls,	4 05
	16.	St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	12 15
		Emmanuel Church, Newport,	31 50
		Emmanuel Church, Manville,	4 95
		Trinity Church, Newport,	279 00
	21.	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	64 80
	26.	St. John's Church, Barrington,	9 45
		All Saints' Chapel, Newport,	67 50
	28.	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	63 00
Oct.	10.	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	3 60
	12.	Christ Church, Westerly,	94 50
Nov.	4.	Trinity Church, Bristol,	7 20
		Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	4 95
Dec.	19.	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	5 85
	26.	Church of the Messiah, Providence,	9 00
1879.			
Jan.	1.	By received from Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	1,500 00
	7.	By assessment, June, 1878, on—	
		Church of the Redeemer, Providence,	24 30
Mar.	10.	St. John's Church, Providence,	360 00
	14.	Christ Church, Lonsdale,	82 80
		Church of the Saviour, Providence,	6 30
April	7.	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	2 25
		Christ Church, Providence,	3 60
	8.	St. Mark's Church, Warren,	77 40
	16.	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	101 70
Amount carried forward,			$4,645 36

Dr. *Bishop's Salary (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$5,985 02	
		$5,985 02	

Amount brought forward,			$4,645 36
April 23.	By assessment, June, 1878, on—		
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	159 30	
May 9.	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	234 00	
June 2.	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	4 95	
6.	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	130 50	
	By received from the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	651 16	
7.	By assessment, June, 1878, on		
	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	153 00	
9.	St. Thomas's Church, Greenville,	2 25	
10.	St. James's Church, Providence,	4 50	
			$5,985 02
1879.			
June 10.	By balance to new account,		$635 02

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

The above account has been examined and compared with the vouchers, and found to be correct.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
} *Finance Committee.*

Dr. *The Borland Fund, in Account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1879.		1878.	
June 10. To balance to new account,	$1,408 04	June 12. By balance from old account,	$1,302 00
		Nov. 27. " dividend of the Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	20 00
		1879.	
		April 16. " rent of lot of land in Somerset, Mass., four years at $15, $60 00	
		Less expenses for maintenance, 10 00	50 00
		30. " dividend on deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., "Participation account,"	16 04
		June 2. " dividend of the Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	20 00
	$1,408 04		$1,408 04

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

We have this day examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and find them to agree with the above statement.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH. L. MILLER,
} *Finance Committee.*

		1879.	
		June 10. Amount on deposit in R. I. H. Trust Co., "Participation account," $802 00	
		Certificate of five shares in Boston and Albany Railroad Co., 500 00	
		Deposit in the R. I. H. Trust Co., 106 04	$1,408 04

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Legacy of Mary A., and Abby A. Goddard, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1879.		1878.	
June 11. To balance,	$1,020 00	June 12. By balance from old account,	$1,000 00
		1879.	
		Jan'y 15. By six months' interest of the Providence Institution for Savings,	20 00
	$1,020 00		$1,020 00

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

Examined and found correct.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
} *Finance Committee.*

		1879.	
		June 11. By balance on deposit,	$1,020 00

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Bequest of Sarah U. Goddard in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1878.		1878.	
Oct. 8. To paid C. E. Boon, Treas. of Board of Missions,	$100 00	June 12. By received of William Goddard, Executor,	$100 00
1879.		1879.	
June 10. Balance to new account,	100 00	May 22. By received of William Goddard, Executor,	100 00
	$200 00		$200 00
		1879.	
		June 10. By balance to new account,	$100 00

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

Examined and found correct.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
Finance Committee.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Fund for the Benefit of a Protestant Episcopal Church or Missionary Station in or near Jackson Village, R. I., in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer, Trustee.

Dr. *Cr.*

1879.		1874.	
June 11. To balance,	$302 68	Jan. 1. By amount received from Frederick Paine, Treasurer, Trustee,	$229 85
		1879.	
		Jan. 1. By interest to date,	72 83
	$302 68		$302 68
		1879.	
		June 11. By balance on deposit,	$302 68

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

Examined and found correct.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
Finance Committee.

JAMES M. CROSS.
Treasurer and Trustee.

Dr. *Legacy of Lydia Mowry, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1874.			
Sept. 7.	To paid E. O. Angell, Treasurer of St. Peter's Church, Manton,		$10 97
1875.			
Jan. 6.	To paid	do.	32 90
July 11.	To paid	do.	28 20
1876.			
May 23.	To paid	do.	56 40
1877.			
May 14.	To paid	do.	47 00
1878.			
May 20.	To paid	do.	47 00
1879.			
May 12.	To paid	do.	42 76
June 10.	By balance to new account,		940 00
			$1,205 23

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

We have examined the above account and compared the same with the vouchers and find it to be correct.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
Finance Committee.

1874.			
May	By amount of legacy received of Frederick Paine, Treasurer, and deposited in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., "Participation account,"		$940 00
"	Interest of Frederick Paine,		10 97
Oct. 31.	" " on deposit,		32 90
1875.			
Apr. 30.	" " "		28 20
Oct. 31.	" " "		28 20
1876.			
Apr. 30.	" " "		28 20
Oct. 31.	" " "		23 50
1877.			
Apr. 30.	" " "		23 50
Oct. 31.	" " "		23 50
1878.			
Apr. 30.	" " "		23 50
Oct. 31.	" " "		23 50
1879.			
Apr. 30.	" " "		19 26
			$1,205 23
1879.			
June 10.	By balance on deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., "Participation account,"		$940 00

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in Account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1879.			1878.		
June 10.	To paid *Rev. Thomas H. Cocroft*, Missionary at Crompton and Phenix, June 25th, 1878, $137.50; September 30th, 1878, $137.50; December 30th, 1878, $137.50; April 1st, 1879, $137.50,	$550 00	June 11.	By balance, cash on hand,	$55 55
	To paid *Mr. Charles H. Baggs*, Lay Reader at Greenville, June 20th, 1878, $50.00; December 23d, 1878, $50.00; December 30th, 1878, $50.00; April 1st, 1879, $50.00,	200 00	Sept. 30.	By loan from Rev. D. H. Greer,	440 00
	To paid *Rev. Samuel H. Webb*, Missionary at South Providence and Manton, June 24th, 1878, $175.00; September 30, 1878, $175.00; December 30th, 1878, $175.00; April 1st, 1879, $175.00,	700 00	Dec. 27.	By loan from Rev. D. H. Greer,	375 00
	To paid *Rev. W. D. U. Shearman*, Missionary at St. James's Church, Providence, June 25th, 1878, $50.00; September 30th, 1878, $50.00; December 30th, 1878, $50.00; April 1st, 1879, $50.00,	200.00	1879. June 10.	By contributions from all sources, as per statement herewith,	3,202 52
	To paid *Rev. C. M. Pyne*, Missionary at Valley Falls and Central Falls, June 25th, 1878, $150.00; September 30th, 1878, $150.00; December 30th, 1878, $150.00; April 1st, 1879, $150.00,	600 00			
	To paid *Rev. Benjamin Eastwood*, Missionary at Pleasant View, Pawtucket, June 25th, 1878, $125.00; September 30th, 1878, $125.00; December 30th, 1878, $125.00; April 1st, 1879, $125.00,	500 00			
	To paid *Rev. C. H. Wheeler*, on account of services at Eagle Park,	12 50			
	Total for Mission Services,	$2,762 50			
Amount carried forward,		$2,762 50	Amount carried forward,		$4,073 07

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in Account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$2,762 50
1878.		
June 25.	To paid Bishop Clark on note account,	50 00
July 4.	To paid Bishop Clark balance due,	105 00
Oct. 15.	To paid Rev. D. H. Greer on account,	90 00
Nov. 19.	To paid Rev. D. H. Greer on account,	175 00
1879.		
May 5.	To paid Rev. D. H. Greer balance due,	566 00
June 10.	To balance, cash on hand to new account,	324 57
		$4,073 07

Amount brought forward,		$4,073 07
		$4,073 07
June 10.	By balance from old account,	$324 57

PROVIDENCE, June 10th, 1879.

E. & O. E.

CHARLES E. BOON,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 11th, 1879.

Examined and found correct.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
} *Finance Committee.*

No receipts during the year from the following named Parishes. Reported by order of the Board:

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.
Trinity Church, Bristol.
Calvary Church, Burrillville.
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.
St. Luke's Church, East Providence.
St. Mary's Church, East Providence.
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.
Emmanuel Church, Manville.
All Saints' Chapel, Newport.
Emmanuel Church, Newport.
Zion Church, Newport.
Trinity Church, Scituate.
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

CONTRIBUTORS.	1878. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1879. Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	Total.
St. John's Church, Barrington													$5 00	$5 00
St. Michael's Church, Bristol	$25 00	$55 00				$40 00							47 00	167 00
St. George's Church, Central Falls				$8 32		7 46		$8 00				$6 00		29 78
St. Philip's Church, Crompton				2 00			$7 00							9 00
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich									$60 00					60 00
Church of the Epiphany, Elmwood	10 00										$2 25			12 25
St. Thomas's Church, Greenville		10 00												10 00
Christ Church, Lonsdale			$15 00											15 00
St. Peter's Church, Manton	4 00			4 00			4 00				4 00			16 00
Trinity Church, Newport	50 00										19 75			69 75
Ch. of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket						4 60				$2 67				7 27
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	50 00	25 00			$25 00	25 00		25 00		25 00				175 00
All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac	10 00										8 00			18 00
St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix							6 07							6 07
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth		10 00												10 00
St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth	20 00												21 00	41 00
All Saints' Memorial Church, Prov		25 00						20 25				15 50		60 75
Christ Church, "	5 00			5 00			5 00				5 00			20 00
Grace Church, "									258 40					258 40
Church of the Messiah, "									9 45					9 45
Church of the Redeemer, "					25 00									25 00
Church of the Saviour, "	10 00											5 00		15 00
St. Gabriel's Church, "												4 12		4 12
St. James's Church, "	2 00			2 00			2 00				2 00			8 00
St. John's Church, "							266 17	100 00						366 17
St. Stephen's Church, "													95 00	95 00
St. Mark's Church, Warren	20 00					†65 00					*30 00		*7 50	122 50
Christ Church, Westerly	15 00								26 56					41 56
St. Paul's Church, Wickford						22 23								22 23
St. James's Church, Woonsocket	25 00	‡11 80				32 07				33 39				102 26
St. John's Chapel, Newport	10 00													10 00
St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls				2 50		2 54				3 71		2 00		10 75
J. M. Cross, Treas., S. Goddard Fund					100 00									100 00
Collection at Convention, 1878, Prov	62 54													62 54
Rev. D. H. Greer, Providence	100 00											16 00		116 00
William Grosvenor, "	100 00													100 00
William Goddard, "	100 00													100 00
Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark, D. D., Providence	50 00													50 00
A. M. Thomas, Wickford	50 00													50 00
V. Mott Francis, Newport	25 00													25 00
Rev. D. R. Brewer, Westerly	10 00													10 00
Rev. H. C. Cunningham, Lonsdale	10 00													10 00
J. W. Greene, Wickford	10 00													10 00
Charles Morris Smith, Providence		25 00												25 00
Special contribution												700 00		700 00
Trinity Church, Pawtucket													21 67	21 67
	$773 54	$161 80	$15 00	$23 82	$150 00	$198 90	$290 24	$153 25	$354 41	$64 77	$71 00	$748 62	$197 17	$3,202 52
	1878. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1879. Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	

* Sunday School. † $11 from Ladies' Sewing Society. ‡ $9 from Sunday School.

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen and of Superannuated and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in Account with Charles T. Dorrance, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1878,			
Nov. 9.	To premium and commission on purchase of $2,800 U. S. 4½ per cent. bonds, (registered,)		$127 75
1879.			
June 10.	To allowances paid to benficiaries, (in quarterly payments).		
	To No. 2,	$400 00	
	To No. 3,	262 50	
			662 50
			$790 25
10.	To balance to new account invested as follows:		
	Providence Institution for Savings,	$5,638 91	
	Rhode Island Institution for Savings, (in liquidation,)	630 00	
	People's Savings Bank,	3,128 17	
	U. S. Registered Bonds 4 per cent., 1907,	4,000 00	
	" " " 4½ " 1891,	4,000 00	
	Deposit in Blackstone Canal National Bank,	843 19	
			$18,240 27
Amount carried forward,			$19,030 52

1878.			
June 10.	By balance from old account,		$17,527 35
1879.			
June 10.	By collections in Parishes named below, for year ending June 10, 1878:		
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	$5 00	
	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	25 00	
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	3 00	
	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	51 25	
			84 25
	For year ending June 10, 1879:		
	St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	$5 00	
	Church of the Saviour, Providence,	5 88	
	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	14 34	
	St. Mark's Church, Warren,	12 80	
	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	10 00	
	Christ Church, Westerly,	27 43	
	Trinity Church, Newport,	50 43	
	Church of the Epiphany, Elmwood,	5 00	
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	5 00	
	Christ Church, South Providence,	3 00	
	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	2 00	
	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	79 41	
	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	34 00	
	St. George's Church, Lincoln,	2 00	
	St. Philip's Church, Valley Falls,	50	
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	7 57	
	Trinity Church, Bristol,	5 04	
	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	17 29	
	St. John's Church, Barrington,	3 00	
	Emmanuel Church, Manville,	5 00	
	St John's Church, Providence,	281 90	
	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	20 77	
	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	5 47	
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	11 30	
	Grace Church, Providence,	25 00	
			639 13
	By bequest under the will of Martha Brown, deceased, of Warren,		50 00
Amount carried forward,			$18,360 73

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

1878.		1878.	
Amount brought forward,	$19,030 52	Amount brought forward,	$18,300 73
		Income from investments:	
		$8,000 in U. S. bonds, 4 and 4½ per cent.	308 80
		Deposit in People's Savings Bank,	145 87
		Deposit in Prov. Inst. for Savings,	256 20
		Interest on cash in bank,	18 92
			729 79
	$19,030 52		$19,030 52

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

We have this day examined the above account and have compared the same with the vouchers and have examined the securities and find all correctly stated.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
Finance Committee.

Reported but not received until too late to include:

St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	$8 00
All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	4 00

1879.
June 10. By balance to new account, $18,240 27

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

E. & O. E.

CHARLES T. DORRANCE, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony, and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.* *Cr.*

1878.			
July 12.	To paid James M. Cross, Treasurer, on account income,	$1,300 00	
Jan. 1.	To paid James M. Cross, Treasurer, on account income,	1,500 00	
May 19.	To paid interest from 9th inst. to date, 10 days, at 4 per cent. on $40,500, deposited in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co. as of 10th inst., on participation account,	45 00	
	To paid Notarial charges on United States 5-20 Registered Bonds, forwarded for redemption,	2 50	
			$2,847 50
June 6.	To paid James M. Cross, Treasurer, balance income,		651 16
			$3,498 66

1878.			
July 1.	By cash for 6 months' interest in advance on $5,000, Providence and Worcester Railroad Co.,	$150 00	
3.	By cash for 6 months' interest due 1st inst., $40,500 United States 5-20 Bonds,	1,215 00	
	By cash for premium on same, 9-16,	6 83	
Dec. 31.	By cash for coupons for 12 months' interest to 1st prox., on $1,500 United States 6's of 1881,	90 00	
1879.			
Jan. 1.	By cash for 6 months' interest in advance on $5,000 Providence and Worcester Railroad Co.,	150 00	
	By cash for 6 months' interest to date on $40,000 United States 5-20 Bonds,	1,215 00	
May 19.	By cash for interest as follows on United States 5-20's, called and redeemed, say on $38,500, 90 days, $569 59		
	2,000, 100 days, 32 88	602 47	
June 3.	By cash for interest on deposit in the Providence Institution for Savings,	9 36	
6.	By cash for 12 months' interest in advance from 1st inst., on subscription note for $1,000,	60 00	
			3,498 66
			$3,498 66

E. & O. E.

PROVIDENCE, June 6, 1879.

JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH, } *Trustees.*

Dr. *The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony, and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

1879.			
June 6.	The trust now consists of—		
	3 United States Bonds, 6 per cent. Bonds of 1881, each $500,	$1.500 00	
	Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., participation account, No. 2049,	40,500 00	
	1 Subscription Note,	1,000 00	
	Deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	403 89	
	5 Providence and Worcester Railroad Bonds of 1881, $1,000 each,	5,000 00	
			$48,403 89

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1879.

We have this day examined the securities in the hands of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and find them to agree with the above statement.

GEO. LEWIS COOKE,
JACOB H. MARTIN,
GEO. C. NIGHTINGALE, JR.,
DAVID H. GREER,
G. J. MAGILL,
JOSEPH L. MILLER,
Finance Committee.

NOTE.

For amendments to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, *adopted* or *proposed*, see pages 28, 29, 30, 33 and 34 of the Journal.

RULES OF ORDER

AND

A STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS

OF THE

Convention of the Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

I. RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the first day of the Convention, after Divine Service, and a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention shall proceed at once to business, and shall remain in session until the business for the first day is ended.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. The members of the Convention shall sit in pews contiguous to one another—the delegates of each church occupying one pew.

4. No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

5. All special committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

7. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall arise and with due respect address himself to the President, and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.

8. When two members chance to rise at the same time, the President shall determine to whom the preference shall be given; and all questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

9. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave.

10. No motion shall be acted upon until seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

11. When the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private conversation to the interruption of the Convention.

12. Every member who is in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question, or excused by the President.

13. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to postpone, to amend, to divide, or to commit.

14. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

15. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the minutes, when required by one-fifth of the members present.

16. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

17. All elections when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

18. All other questions shall be decided *viva voce*, or by hand vote, unless a ballot be called for by two members.

19. When any vote is taken by orders, the names of the clergy and parishes voting in the affirmative and negative respectively, shall be distinctly announced before the result is declared, and shall be entered on the minutes of the Convention.

20. In all elections by ballot, the name of each clergyman entitled to a vote shall be called: whereupon he shall deposit his vote in a receptacle in charge of tellers, who shall remain in some convenient place until all have voted. The lay vote shall be received in the same manner. The tellers shall report to the Chair the number of votes cast, the number necessary for a choice, and the number for the respective candidates. The President or Chairman shall thereupon announce the result of the ballot. This report shall be placed on file.

21. The sittings of the Convention shall be open to all persons who choose to attend, unless otherwise ordered in the Convention.

22. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning at the opening of the Convention, and, if necessary, corrected; and before the rising of the Convention, the proceedings of the session on the last day shall be read.

23. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

24. All propositions for the adoption, amendment or repeal of Canons or of Rules of Order, or of Standing Order of Business, shall, before action thereon, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

25. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

26. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

II. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

After the organization of the Convention, as provided for by the Constitution, the following Order of Business shall be observed the first day of the session.

I. The business incident to the organization of the Convention, embracing the consideration of application of Churches and Parishes for admission into union with the Convention; Reports from special committees, appointed at a preceding session of the Convention, etc.

II. Reading of the Bishop's Address.

III. Regular Annual Reports in the following order.

1. Report of the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report of the Registrar.
3. Report from the Standing Committee.
4. Report from the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
5. Report from the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
6. Report from the Depository Board.
7. Report from the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.
8. Report from the Board of Missions.
9. Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

IV. Consideration of the state of the Church in the Diocese.

V. Introduction of business for reference to Special Committees.

VI. Parochial Reports.

The following Order of Business shall be observed for the second day of the Convention:

I. Reports of Committees appointed the previous day.

II. Elections:

1. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
2. Of Board of Missions.
3. Of Treasurer.
4. Of Registrar.
5. Of Standing Committee.
6. Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
7. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
8. Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
9. Board of Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.
10. Depository Board.

III. Miscellaneous.

PAROCHIAL REPORT

OF

.....CHURCH.....

THE REV..... ..... RECTOR.

BAPTISMS—INFANTS, ; ADULTS, ; TOTAL, . CONFIRMED, .

COMMUNICANTS—ADDED, NEW, ; BY REMOVAL ;

TOTAL ADDED, . DIED, . REMOVED, ; PRESENT NUMBER, .

MARRIAGES, BURIALS,

SUNDAY SCHOOL—TEACHERS AND OFFICERS, . SCHOLARS, .

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, - - - - .....

For Domestic Missions, - - - .....

For Foreign Missions, - - - - .....

For Home Missions to Colored People, - . .....

For Education for the Ministry, - - - .....

For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., ...

For .....

For .....

For all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, - - - - - .....

Total, - - - - - - .....

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions, for the support of Public Worship, - - - - .....

All other Contributions, - - - .....

Total for Parish Purposes, - - - .....

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

At a Parish meeting of..... ....

Church..... .....regularly called in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of the Parish, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1..... .....

2..... .....

3.....

4.....

were chosen Delegates to represent said Parish in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, to be held on the second Tuesday in June, 188 .

At the same meeting, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3..... ....

4.....

were chosen substitutes.

Attest,

....
..... } WARDENS.

.....CLERK.

☞ This form, when filled up, must be signed by the Church Wardens or Parish Clerk. A copy must be forwarded to the Secretary, another presented at the Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Ninetieth Annual Convention

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

HELD IN

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,

Tuesday, 8th, and Wednesday, 9th, June, 1880.

PROVIDENCE:
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1880.

OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE.

1880.

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION, *ex-officio*,

THE RT. REV. THOMAS MARCH CLARK, D. D., LL. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION:

REV. SAMUEL H. WEBB.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

Clerical.	Lay.
REV. DAVID H. GREER,	MR. J. H. STINESS,
" C. A. L. RICHARDS,	" T. P. I. GODDARD,
" DANIEL HENSHAW,	" AUGUSTUS HOPPIN,
" GEORGE J. MAGILL.	" WM. W. BLODGETT.

Supplementary.

REV D. R. BREWER,	MR. JOHN H. COZZENS,
" E. H. PORTER,	" C. B. FARNSWORTH,
" R. B. PEET,	" J. C. BURRINGTON,
" W. P. TUCKER.	" R. M. SHERMAN.

BOARD OF MISSIONS.*

THE BISHOP, CHAIRMAN, *ex officio*.

Elected, 1879.	*Elected*, 1880.
REV D. H. GREER,	REV. W. N. ACKLEY,
" E. H. PORTER,	" C. A. L. RICHARDS,
" J. W. COLWELL,	MR. G. L. COOKE,
MR. R H I. GODDARD,	" C. E. BOON,
" J. C. BURRINGTON.	" WM. GROSVENOR.

TREASURER:

MR. JAMES M. CROSS.

BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE:

MR. WILLIAM GROSVENOR, term of office expires 1881.
MR. F. E. RICHMOND, term of office expires 1882.
MR. C. B. FARNSWORTH, term of office expires 1883.

REGISTRAR:

REV. SAMUEL H. WEBB.

*C. E. Boon, Treasurer, Providence, Box 491.

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW,	Mr. E. A. GREENE,
" D. H. GREER,	" GEORGE L. COOKE,
" C. A. L RICHARDS,	" W. W. BLODGETT,
" GEORGE J. MAGILL.	" T. P. I. GODDARD.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND:

Mr. JOHN B. ANTHONY, term of office expires 1881.
" CHARLES MORRIS SMITH, term of office expires 1882.
" WILLIAM GODDARD, term of office expires 1883.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY:

Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW,	Rev. GEORGE J. MAGILL,
" J. W. COLWELL.	" W. F. B. JACKSON.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

The BISHOP, Chairman, *ex-officio.*

Mr. T. P. BOGERT,	Mr. E. D. BASSETT,
" J. L. PEIRCE.	" E. A. GREENE.

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, ETC.:*

The BISHOP, Chairman, *ex-officio.*

Mr. M. B. I. GODDARD,	Mr. C. T. DORRANCE,
" EDWARD A. GREENE.	" WILLIAM AMES.

DEPOSITORY BOARD:

The BISHOP, Chairman, *ex-officio.*

Rev. E. H. PORTER,	Mr. S. C. BLODGET,
" D. H. GREER.	" J. H. DeWOLF.

ECCLESIASTICAL COURT:

Rev. E H. PORTER, Rev. D. G. RICE.
Rev. H. C. CUNNINGHAM.

LEGAL ADVISER OF THE COURT:

Mr. W. W. BLODGETT.

*C. T. Dorrance, Treasurer, Providence, Lock Box 1005.

LIST OF PARISHES

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

WITH THE DATE OF THEIR ORGANIZATION.

1880.

	A. D.	Order of Organization.
Ashton, St. John's Chapel	1868	Thirty-Fifth.
Barrington, St. John's Church	1859	Twenty-Seventh.
Bristol, St. Michael's Church	1719	Third.
" Trinity Church	1875	Forty-Second.
Burrillville, Calvary Church	1861	Thirtieth.
Central Falls, St. George's Church	1874	Forty-First.
Cranston, St. Bartholomew's Church	1866	Thirty-Fourth.
Crompton, St. Philip's Church	1845	Twentieth.
East Greenwich, St. Luke's Church	1833	Tenth.
East Providence, St. Luke's Church	1871	Thirty-Eighth.
" " St. Mary's Church	1871	Thirty-Ninth.
Greenville, St. Thomas's Church	1851	Twenty-Fourth.
Jamestown, St. Matthew's Church	1837	Fifteenth.
Lonsdale, Christ Church	1834	Eleventh.
Manton, St. Peter's Church	1847	Twenty-Third.
Manville, Emmanuel Church	1835	Fourteenth.
Middletown, Chapel of Holy Cross*	1844	Nineteenth.
Newport, All Saints' Chapel*	1861	Twenty-Ninth.
" Emmanuel Church	1852	Twenty-Fifth.
" Trinity Church	1698	First.
" Zion Church	1833	Ninth

*Not in union with the Convention.

	A. D.	Order of Organization.
Pawtucket, St. Paul's Church	1816	Fifth.
" Trinity Church	1845	Twenty-First.
Pontiac, All Saints' Chapel	1869	Thirty-Seventh.
Portsmouth, St. Paul's Church	1834	Twelfth.
" St. Mary's Church	1843	Eighteenth.
Providence, All Saints' Memorial Church	1847	Twenty-second.
" Christ Church	1865	Thirty-Third.
" Grace Church	1829	Sixth.
" Church of the Epiphany	1875	Forty-Third.
" Church of the Messiah	1856	Twenty-Sixth.
" Church of the Redeemer	1860	Twenty-Eighth.
" Church of the Saviour	1863	Thirty-First.
" St. Gabriel's Church	1871	Fortieth.
" St. James's Church	1869	Thirty-Sixth.
" St. John's Church	1722	Fourth.
" St. Stephen's Church	1839	Sixteenth.
Scituate, Trinity Church	1864	Thirty-Second.
Wakefield, Church of the Ascension	1839	Seventeenth.
Warren, St. Mark's Church	1829	Seventh.
Westerly, Christ Church	1834	Thirteenth.
Wickford, St. Paul's Church	1707	Second.
Woonsocket, St. James's Church	1832	Eighth.

A LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

JUNE, 1880.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, Residing in Providence.

Rev. William N. Ackley, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren.

Rev. William W. Ayres, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. Charles H. Bixby, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

Rev. Darius R. Brewer, Rector of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. James H. Carpenter, Residing in Wakefield.

Rev. A. B. Carver, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

Rev. Clarence W. Colton, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

Rev. Benjamin H. Chase, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Rev. William M. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, Barrington; Post Office, Barrington Centre.

Rev. William S. Child, S. T. D., Residing in Newport.

Rev. Thomas H. Cocroft, Missionary in charge of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, and St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix.

Rev. James W. Colwell, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Rev. H. C. Cunningham, Rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Rev. Benjamin Eastwood, Missionary in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

Rev. J. M. C. Fulton, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

Rev. David H. Greer, Rector of Grace Church, Providence.

Rev. Henry Hague, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

Rev. J. C. Hewlett, Rector of the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Rev. W. F. B. Jackson, Rector of St. James's Church, Providence.

Rev. Joseph Johnson, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.

Rev. E. H. Kettell, Rector of Zion Church, Newport.

Rev. Daniel Leach, D. D., Superintendent of Public Schools, Providence.

Rev. J. E. Lindholm, Rector of All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac.

Rev. George L. Locke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Rev. George J. Magill, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. William I. Magill, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. Alexander G. Mercer, D. D., Minister of All Saints' Chapel, Newport.

Rev. Joseph L. Miller, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Rev. Robert Murray, Jr., Rector of St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

Rev. D. I. Odell, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Watchemoket.

Rev. Arthur T. Parsons, Missionary in charge of St. George's Church, Central Falls.

Rev. R. B. Peet, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Newport.

Rev. Frederick Palmer, officiating at Lonsdale.

Rev. Emery Huntington Porter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Emery M. Porter, Residing in Lincoln; P. O., Lonsdale.

Rev. Delancey G. Rice, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

Rev. Charles A. L. Richards, Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.

Rev. S. Brenton Shaw, D. D., Providence.

Rev William P. Tucker, Rector of Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Samuel H. Webb, Rector of Christ Church, Providence, and Missionary in charge of St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Rev. Francis Wharton, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. Charles H. Wheeler, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

Rev. Clement J. Whipple.

Rev. Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and of the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

JOURNAL

OF THE

Proceedings of the Convention.

St. John's Church, Providence, }
Tuesday, *June* 8, 1880. }

The Ninetieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island assembled for Divine Service in St. John's Church, Providence, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. J. E. Lindholm, Rector of All Saints' Church, Pontiac, and the Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

The Communion Office was begun by the Bishop, the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, Rector of St. John's Church, Providence, reading the Epistle.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Wm. P. Tucker, Rector of Trinity Church, Pawtucket, from 1st Corinthians, ii, 14: "*The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.*"

The Bishop was assisted in the Communion Office and in the administration by the Rev. C. A. L. Richards.

After a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rules of Order were read by the Secretary; the Roll was then called as follows:

LIST OF CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS AND A VOTE.

Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. William N. Ackley,	Rev. J. E. Lindholm,
" Wm. W. Ayres,	" George L. Locke,
" *Samuel G. Babcock*,	" George J. Magill,
" Chas. H. Bixby,	" William I. Magill,
" Darius R. Brewer,	" *A. G. Mercer, D. D.*
" *James H. Carpenter*,	" Joseph L. Miller,
" A. B. Carver,	" Robert Murray, Jr.,
" Benjamin H. Chase,	" Daniel I. Odell,
" *Wm. S. Child, S. T. D.*	" Robert B. Peet,
" Thomas H. Cocroft,	" Emery H. Porter,
" James W. Colwell,	" Emery M. Porter,
" *H. C. Cunningham*,*	" Delancey G. Rice,
" Benjamin Eastwood,	" Charles A. L. Richards,
" David H. Greer,	" Samuel B. Shaw, D. D.
" Henry Hague,	" Wm. P. Tucker,
" Daniel Henshaw,	" Samuel H. Webb,
" John C. Hewlett,	" Francis Wharton, D. D.,
" Joseph H. Johnson,	LL. D.,
" *Edward H. Kettell*,	" Charles H. Wheeler,
" Daniel Leach, D. D.	" *Hobart Williams.*

ENTITLED TO SEATS BUT NOT TO A VOTE.

Rev. Wm. M. Chapin,	Rev. Arthur T. Parsons,
" J. M. C. Fulton,	" *C. J. Whipple*,
" W. F. B. Jackson,	" Daniel Goodwin,
" Frederick Palmer.	" *Clarence W. Colton.*

* Those whose names are in italics were not present.

LAY DELEGATES AND SUBSTITUTES.

PROVIDENCE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Jacob H. Martin,	Samuel G. Trippe,
John W. Vernon,	Oren Westcott,
Charles T. Dorrance,	D. L. D. Granger,
M. B. I. Goddard.	*T. P. I. Goddard.*

Grace Church, Providence.

William Grosvenor,	*Shepard C. Kinsley,*
Edward A. Greene,	*Caleb Farnum,*
Charles Morris Smith,	Samuel J. Ladd,
Stephen Brownell.	*John W. Angell.*

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Resolved Waterman,	Freeborn Coggeshall,
Lyman Klapp,	*Edward H. Cutler,*
William Ames,	*Charles C. Nichols*
R. M. Sherman.	*John H. Ormsbee.*

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

B. Frank Pabodie,	*Gilbert H. Hagan,*
George C. Nightingale, Jr.,	*Frank S. Lincoln,*
James Tiffany,	*C. H. Gates,*
Louis T. Foster.	*Charles H. Henshaw.*

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

Charles E. Boon,	*W. H. Thornton,*
Garrett Cargin,	*H. Barlow,*
J. R. Wood,	*S. Mitchell,*
George W. Barker.	*G. Beane.*

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

George D. Briggs,	*George W. Goodrum,*
Elisha C. Mowry,	*William Myers,*
John H. Stiness,	*Samuel T. Sparks,*
Charles B. Manchester,	*Henry MacNamara.*

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Waterman Stone,	*James H. Wentworth*,
A. W. Matthewson,	*Robert H Blanding*,
Daniel W. Brown,	Zechariah Chafee, Jr.,
James M. Cross.	George B. Rawson.

Christ Church, Providence.

C. Henry Barney,	*Henry Midwood*,
Henry Hirons,	*S. A. Bliss*,
W. J. Crossley,	Lewis Boyden,
M. E. Boyden.	*George W. Dickinson.*

St. James's Church, Providence.

Amos M. Bowen,	Eugene P. King,
Frank E. Richmond,	*Jonas Anty*,
Ebenezer Nichols,	*Wm. H. Ballou*,
Christopher Blanding.	*Joseph T. A. Eddy.*

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

William Foster,	*Henry T. Beckwith*,
Daniel Chambers,	*Andrew Glover*,
Samuel B. Hobson,	*George M. Daniels*,
James Martin.	*Herbert M. Tanner.*

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

A. O. Bourn,	Albert D. Lippitt,
William Halton,	*Malcolm Troop*,
Edward D. Bassett,	*Robert H. Hopkins*,
George H. Lincoln.	*George Kirkland.*

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

William W. Blodgett,	*George A. Mumford*,
James O. Starkweather,	*George E. Bamford*,
Charles W. Allen,	*Sanford R. Pierce*,
Henry A. Pierce.	*Thomas R. Dix.*

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
C. B. Farnsworth,	*Alvin C. Cash*,
S. G. Brayman,	*Charles E. Richardson*,
William Warburton,	Frederick W. Warburton,
Henry N. Wilkinson.	*Henry L. Dana.*

St. George's Church, Lincoln.

Jonas F. Welcome,	*John P. Briden*,
James M. Davis,	*James Whittle*,
Frederick Haywood,	*Fred. W. Davis*,
John Harrup.	*Joseph Harrup.*

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

George Kilburn,	William Goddard,
Baylies Bourne,	*Samuel D. Learned*,
George A. Kent,	*Addison Kinsman*,
H. E. Wright.	*Edwin Mathews.*

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

George Sparhawk,	*James Williamson*,
James Geldard,	R. H. I. Goddard,
Andrew Crumley,	*Thomas Simpson*,
Wm. H. Beebe.	*John Mills.*

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Nathaniel Kerr,	*Wm. Tucker*,
Wm. Waterman,	*John S. Waterman.*
Russell Handy,	
George Clarke.	

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Lyman A. Cook,	*R. K. Randolph*,
Ariel Ballou,	*George W. Miller*,
Henry Andrews,	*Stafford C. Clough*,
Frank L. Carter.	*Frederick Harris.*

Calvary Church, Burrillville.

No delegates reported.

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Charles H. Baggs,	*Frank Steere*,
Joseph Estes,	*Frederic Suffa*,
Nathan Estes,	*Benjamin Bamforth*,
Daniel W. Latham.	*William Clegg.*

Trinity Church, Scituate.

No delegates reported.

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Elisha O. Angell,	*James Millar*,
William W. Wright,	*Horace A. Hunt.*
John C. Budlong,	
George A. Manchester.	

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

No delegates reported.

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

Rufus W. Adams,
Edward L. Dillon,
Frederick Comstock,
Archer Anthony.

St. Luke's Church, East Providence.

No delegates reported.

BRISTOL COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Barrington.

J. C. Burrington,	*James A. Smith*,
E. L. Walcott,	*John F. Maxfield*,
Henry Staples,	*John Jenckes*,
Benjamin B. Wood.	*George Church.*

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

George Lewis Cooke,	*William R. Haile*,
Luther Cole,	*Alfred B. Gardiner*,
Lawton I. Ware,	*George Wheaton*,
Daniel L. Turner.	*William H. Turner.*

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Theodore P. Bogert,	*Frederick F. Gladding,*
Robert S. Andrews,	*Thomas J. Usher,*
Edward S. Babbitt,	John H. Pitman,
George H. Pearce.	*Robert Teirman.*

Trinity Church, Bristol.

H. Frank Monroe,	*William R. Trotter.*
J. P. Reynolds,	*Arthur B. Corthell,*
Henry F. Card,	*J. H. H. Mott,*
Charles V. Perry.	*Henry Orme.*

NEWPORT COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Newport.

John H. Cozzens,	*Samuel Engs,*
John S. Deblois,	*William H. Ashurst.*
William Cornell,	*William G. Seabury,*
William Edgar.	*Job T. Langley.*

Zion Church, Newport.

James A. Brown,	*James Pierson,*
Freeborn S. Waite,	*A. Judson Smith,*
George Cozzens,	*William F. Marshall,*
C. L. F. Atkinson.	*Thomas A. Spencer.*

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

Thomas Power,	John Gibson,
John M. Taylor,	*Charles Minkler,*
William P. Clark,	*Henry Weston,*
Thomas Chambers.	*Edward Smith.*

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Benjamin Green,	*George B. Anthony,*
H. H. Burrington,	*Edward F. Anthony,*
Thomas Holman,	*Benjamin S. Anthony,*
Thomas L. Mitchell.	*Seth Anthony.*

St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Robert S. Chase,	*James R. Chase*,
William Henry Gifford,	*Herbert Chase*,
John B. Gould,	*Restcom P. Manchester*,
Albert L. Chase.	Peleg T. Coggeshall.

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

No delegates reported.

KENT COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

William Goddard,	*Daniel A. Peirce*,
Alfred A. Reed,	*Henry A. Thomas*,
W. Maxwell Greene,	Richard Thornley,
Benjamin R. Vaughan.	*Edward Taylor.*

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

Benjamin F. Waterhouse,	*John Lord.*
*William T. Dorrance,**	*William Carpenter*,
Joseph Liddle,	*William Houston*,
Henry Owen.	*George Haddock.*

All Saint's Chapel, Pontiac.

James Hough,	*Eli Boothman*,
Stephen N. Bourne,	John Robinson.
William Just,	*James Wallwork*,
Robert Drysdale.	*William Wooley.*

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

James A. Greene,	*John P. Olney.*
A. M. Thomas,	*Esbond Sandford*,
Gideon Freeborn,	*C. F. Wightman*,
C. A. Chadsey.	*Charles Allen.*

* Deceased.

Christ Church, Westerly.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Edwin Babcock,	*J. Hobart Cross*,
Samuel H. Cross,	*A. N. Lewis*,
William Hoxsey,	*David Smith*,
J. L. Moss, Jr.	*Otis Brown*.

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

George Pearse,	*Esborn S. Taylor*,
George Knowles.	*John H. Caswell*.

The President then declared the Convention to be duly organized.

On motion,

Resolved, That clergymen from other Dioceses and Candidates for Holy Orders be invited to honorary seats in the Convention.

There were present the Rev. J. P. TUSTIN, of the Diocese of Long Island, and the Rev. LOUIS C. NEWMAN, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for the election of Secretary, the Rev. SAMUEL H. WEBB was unanimously re-elected, and with the consent of the Convention, appointed the Rev. J. E. LINDHOLM his assistant.

The following committees were then appointed by the President:

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. W. N. ACKLEY,	Mr. Lyman A. Cook,
" T. H. COCROFT.	" James M. Davis.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

Rev. D. H. Greer,	Mr. Wm. Grosvenor,
" Geo. L. Locke.	" F. E. Richmond.

ON CANONS

Rev. C. A. L. Richards,	Mr. C. B. Farnsworth,
" Daniel Henshaw.	" George L. Cooke.

The committee appointed at the last Convention to sell or dispose of all or any part of the real estate received by the Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland, reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE J. S. BORLAND ESTATE.

The committee appointed at the last Convention with authority to sell or dispose of all or any part of the real estate received by the Convention under the will of Joseph S. Borland, report that they have sold two of the parcels of land, one for twelve hundred and the other for six hundred dollars, and are negotiating at present for the sale of the remaining parcel. They therefore request to have the authority given them continued for another year.

For the Committee,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH.

On motion, the report was accepted, and the Committee continued.

The Committee appointed at the last session of the Convention on the increase of the Episcopal Fund, made report, and on motion the report was accepted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed at the last session of the Convention to secure an increase of the Episcopal Endowment Fund to sixty thousand dollars, beg leave to report that the sum of $11,760.96 has been raised, thus making the total amount of that fund $60,164.85.

G. J. MAGILL,
D. H. GREER,
EDWIN BABCOCK,
F. E. RICHMOND,
JOHN B. ANTHONY.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to make the necessary arrangements for a proper observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the consecration of our Diocesan, presented the following report, and on motion it was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to make the necessary arrangements for a proper observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the consecration of our Diocesan, respectfully report that after mature deliberation they decided that no better way of marking the interesting occasion could be devised by them than an arrangement for a suitable religious service in Grace Church, Providence, and the presentation to the Bishop of a congratulatory address from the clergy and laity of the Diocese, accompanied by an offering from the different parishes for the increased endowment of the Episcopal Fund. As the members of this Convention are aware, the service was held at the time appointed, the address was presented to which the Bishop responded, and an offering of $11,760.96 was made. The amount of the several contributions from the respective parishes will appear in the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. It gives the Committee great pleasure to state that the Fund has now reached the amount of sixty thousand dollars.

D. HENSHAW,
D. H. GREER,
C. A. L. RICHARDS,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
J. H. STINESS,
} *Committee.*

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Parochial Charters and Franchise, asked and obtained leave to defer their report till a later hour.

Application was made by St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier, for admission into union with the Convention. The petition was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

On motion, resolved that the Convention take a recess till 2 o'clock.

At the close of the recess the Convention was again called to order.

On motion,

Resolved. That the proposed addition to Art. VII of the Constitution, approved by the Convention of last year, be now and is hereby adopted by this Convention.

The resolution was carried by a majority of the votes of both orders.

On motion, resolved that the following Canon be and is hereby adopted as Canon XVIII.

CANON XVIII.

1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, at least two months before its Annual Session, to send to the Standing Committee a list of the parishes in this Diocese to be by that Committee revised in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution.

2. The list thus revised by the Standing Committee shall be returned to the Secretary of the Convention, at least one month before its session, and be the authorized list of the parishes of the Diocese for that Convention and for any special Convention held before the next Annual Convention.

The Report of the Committee on Parochial Charters and Parochial Franchise was then read, and on motion was ordered to be laid upon the table till to-morrow.

The Bishop then read his annual address.

The Treasurer of the Convention then read his report which, on motion, was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Registrar then read his report, and on motion it was received and ordered to be printed.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The Registrar respectfully reports that during the past year there have been received, Convention journals from the various Dioceses of the United States. These have been placed with the already large collection of journals in the archives. It will soon be necessary to provide more room if the Convention desires to keep the annual journals put forth by the several dioceses in our church.

The following named persons have given pamphlets and journals of the R. I. Convention: Bishop Clark, Mrs. J. A. Eames, Miss Kate Wheaton and Miss Phebe Brown; Messrs. E. M. Winsor, James Hutchinson and John Kilburn. The Hon. J. H. Stiness and Mr. Zachariah Allen have contributed a number of Diocesan Journals to the stock of earlier dates now but rarely to be obtained. The Rev. L. C. Manchester, of Lowell, Mass., has donated Convention Journals of Massachusetts for the years 1829, 1834 and 1843. The Rev. Malcolm Douglass, D. D., of the same Diocese, has furnished several copies of Vermont Journals. The Rev. A. H. Bailey, D. D., the Registrar of Vermont, and Mr. C. E Webb, of the same State, have assisted in like manner. The Rev. Daniel Henshaw has donated a very rare pamphlet entitled, "A Review of the Journals of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Rhode Island for 1838." From Grace Church, Providence, has been received a copy of the book called, "Half Century Jubilee of Grace Church." Beside the above contributions, several journals of various States and of early date have been placed in the archives by the Rev L. C. Manchester and the Registrar. It is hoped that complete sets of the Convention Journals of New England Dioceses may be made, and I wish again to request assistance from those willing to help.

There is in the custody of the Registrar a full set of Journals of the Convention of Maine.

Of the New Hampshire Journals, we have none of earlier date than 1842; 1843 and 1853 are also wanting.

Of Vermont, there are needed 1833, 1837 1838, 1839, 1840, 1854, 1862, 1867.

Of Massachusetts 1833, 1835, 1839, 1858.

Of Connecticut, there are wanting all the numbers between 1820 and 1840, except 1830 and 1838, also the Journal for 1862

If these missing numbers are ever secured it must be done at the expense of careful and vigorous search, if indeed it is possible to obtain them. Only by an interest in the matter which manifests itself in seizing every opportunity to rescue from destruction the few copies of early journals now remaining of any New England Diocese, can the desired end be gained It is also worth while to consider the expediency of reprinting the Journal of this Convention for 1833. Copies sufficient to supply the demand could be obtained for twenty-five dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. WEBB, *Registrar.*

Providence, June 9, 1880.

The Report of the Standing Committee was read, and on motion it was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee met at the Rectory of St John's Church, Providence, June 19th, 1879, and was organized by the election of the Rev. C. A. L Richards, President, and the Rev. D. H. Greer, Secretary.

The Committee has recommended to the Bishop as Candidates for Holy Orders, Messrs. Otis Olney Wright, Charles Howard Malcolm, Henry Bassett, Alva E. Carpenter, Charles S Starkweather, and Isaac Tomlinson Bagnall.

Charles Howard Malcolm has been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate. The Rev. Messrs. Henry Hague, William M. Chapin and Frederic Palmer have been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood.

Consent and concurrence have been given to the consecration of the Rev Samuel I. Harris, D. D., bishop elect of the Diocese of Michigan; the Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, D. D., bishop elect of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey; and the Rev. John A. Gallaher, D. D , bishop elect of the Diocese of Louisiana

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed), D. H. GREER *Secretary.*

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund was then presented, and on motion, it was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was then called for. No report was presented.

The Report of the Depository Board was read, received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE DEPOSITORY BOARD.

The undersigned, in behalf of the Board, respectfully submits the following report:

The annual revenue from the Depository stock, of $38.79, together with the Convention offertory of last year, of $32.75, have amounted to $71 54. And during the same period, the orders upon the Depository for Prayer Books and Hymnals, for supplying our missionary stations, have amounted to $70.15.

S. C. BLODGET.

PROVIDENCE, June 8, 1880.

The Report of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was read, received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Board of Missions was then read, received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The annual meeting of the Board of Missions was held June 24, 1879. E. H. Porter was chosen Secretary, and C. E. Boon, Treasurer.

In December, the Missionary Stations were adopted for the year beginning April 1, 1880, and the Missionaries were appointed by the Bishop. The stations are these:

St. George's, Lincoln. Rev. A. T. Parsons	$400 00
St. Philip's, Valley Falls. Rev. A. T. Parsons	100 00
Good Shepherd, Pleasant View, Rev. Benjamin Eastwood	400 00
Christ, S. Providence, Rev. S. H. Webb	400 00
St. Peter's, Manton, Rev. S. H. Webb	200 00
St. Philip's, Crompton, Rev. T. H. Cocroft	350 00
St Andrew's, Phenix, Rev. T. H. Cocroft	150 00
St. Thomas's, Greenville, Mr. C. H. Baggs	200 00
St. Mary's, Cumberland Hill, Rev. H. Hague	100 00
St. James's, Providence, Rev. W. F. B. Jackson	200 00
St. Bartholomew's, Cranston, Rev. C. W. Colton	100 00
	$2,600 00

With the exception of Trinity, Scituate, and Calvary, Burrillville, all the towns and villages in the Diocese where regular services have been held are supplied with the ministrations of the Church. There are thirty-six towns in the State. In twenty-two of these we have regular services every Sunday. Of no other diocese can anything like this be said, that in two-thirds of the towns are the services of the Church regularly supplied. In many Dioceses not two thirds of the counties are occupied.

In the Missionary Stations there are some items of interest.

St. George's, Lincoln. The Rev. Mr. Pyne has been succeeded by the Rev. A. T. Parsons, of Danielsonville, Conn., and the work here and in Valley Falls has been resumed. Another thousand dollars toward the debt will soon be paid, which will reduce it to $4,600.

St. Peter's, Manton. This Mission has not yet been united with Greenville as was anticipated a year ago, but is still under the charge of the Rev. S. H. Webb.

St. Thomas's, Greenville. This station remains under a lay-reader, and is in a prosperous condition for some clergyman who would like an interesting work.

Epiphany, Elmwood. A fine church has been built and the inconvenient hall abandoned. The Rev. J. M. C. Fulton, of Brandon, Vt., has charge, and with a church building, it is hoped the parish will enter upon a vigorous life.

St. James's, Providence. This parish has applied to the Board for readmission, and the Rev. W. F. B. Jackson has been appointed missionary. It is expected that in a year or two this will be an independent parish.

St. Bartholomew's, Cranston. This old station has been taken again under the care of the Board. The Rev. C. W. Colton, of Bethany, Conn., has been appointed missionary.

The whole field presents an encouraging view. Church debts are diminishing; one new church has been built; another will soon be enlarged and repaired; the staff of workers is almost full. The Board during the year has announced its purpose to reduce steadily the stipends in all the stations. It should be the constant aim of each station to become self-supporting as soon as possible, and not expect to be sustained forever by the Diocese.

The receipts of the Board still continue to be very small and inadequate. The suggestion of the Bishop that offerings be received at the annual visitations has been followed with good results. The amount pledged is now $2,600.

The following is the average offering from each parish in the Diocese during the last four years:

Ashton	St. John's Chapel	$5 28
Barrington	St. John's Church	8 17
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	116 75
"	Trinity Church	4 74
Central Falls	St. George's Church	25 31
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Church	4 95
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	9 12
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	32 35
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	60 00
" "	St. Luke's Church	00 00
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	10 00
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	86
Lonsdale	Christ Church	30 16
Manton	St. Peter's Church	15 00
Manville	Emmanuel Church	5 75
Newport	Emmanuel Church	18 94
"	Trinity Church	127 27
"	Zion Church	00 00
"	St. John's Chapel	2 50
"	All Saints' Chapel	00 00
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	135 37
"	Trinity Church	25 15
"	Church of the Good Shepherd	12 14
Phenix	St. Andrew's Mission	7 56
Pontiac	All Saints' Chapel	10 75
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	9 36
South Portsmouth	St. Mary's Church	24 75
" "	Holy Cross Chapel	00 00
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Church	73 24
"	Christ Church	20 00
"	Church of the Epiphany	10 15
"	Church of the Messiah	12 32
"	Church of the Redeemer	11 75
"	Church of the Saviour	12 16
"	Grace Church	505 12

Providence	St. Gabriel's Church	$2 28
"	St. James's Church.	11 60
"	St. John's Church	588 36
"	St. Stephen's Church	266 00
Scituate	Trinity Church	00 00
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	00 00
Warren	St. Mark's Church	123 58
Westerly	Christ Church	43 42
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	26 44
Woonsocket.	St James's Church	66 56
Total		$2,421 34

To reach the required amount twenty-five per cent. additional is needed from every parish. While there are some parishes that ought not to be expected to give more than they have given, there are others that may be willing to enlarge their offerings to a more than twenty-five per cent. increase. This average of the four years inserted in this report will enable each parish to know the amount expected from it. It is desirable that the offerings be made before the December meeting of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. PORTER, *Secretary.*

On motion,

Resolved, That the Board of Missions have authority given them to prepare *hereafter* the canonical "estimate of the amount required for missionary work during the year ensuing together with a proposed apportionment thereof," among the several parishes of the Diocese and notify the several parishes and clergy thereof.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was then read, and on motion it was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Board of Audit and Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

The Board of Audit and Finance appointed at the last Convention, (June, 1879,) report their assessment for the Bishop's salary and the general expenses of the Diocese to be twenty-seven hundred dollars, and have assessed the same upon the several parishes in the Diocese as per report herewith presented (See Appendix.)

They also report that the sum of one hundred and twenty-three and forty-two one hundredths dollars was paid for taxes on the real estate bequeathed by the late Joseph S. Borland and was charged to "Convention Expenses." The Committee recommend that this amount be repaid to the Treasurer of the Convention and be charged to the "Borland Fund." The payments were made as follows:

July 11, 1878,	for tax for 1876 & '77	$61 53
Nov. 11, "	" " 1878	32 38
Oct. 21, 1879, "	" 1879	29 51
		$123 42

There is an accumulated income from this fund amounting to one hundred and twenty-six and four one hundredths dollars, from which the above could be paid if so ordered.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1880.

On motion the report was received and the recommendation adopted.

The following resolution was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Audit and Finance be received immediately before the Report of the Board of Missions, and that the necessary numbering of the Order of Business be changed accordingly.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the indebtedness of the churches in this Diocese be referred to the Board of Audit and Finance for their action and report to the next Annual Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be and is hereby requested to report upon the expediency of a change of the corporate name of this Convention.

The resolution was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary be and is hereby authorized to procure the reprint of the Journal of this Convention for the year 1833, at an expense not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes report as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes begs leave to report that in consequence of an informality in the application of St. Peter's Chapel, Narragansett Pier, the petitioners have leave to withdraw their application.

D. H. GREER, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Canons presented the following report:

[No. 1.]

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the place in the Order of Business of the Report of the Board of Audit and Finance, respectfully recommend that the report be received immediately after the report of the Treasurer of the Convention, and that the necessary numbering of the Order of Business be changed accordingly.

On motion, the report was received and the recommendation adopted.

The Parochial Reports were then presented to the Bishop.

On motion, resolved that when this Convention adjourn it be to meet at half-past nine to-morrow morning for Divine Service in the church.

On motion, resolved that the Business Session be held in the Chapel of St. John's Church.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

St. John's Church,
Wednesday, June 9, 1880.

The Convention met for Divine Service in the church at 9½ o'clock A. M.

The Litany was said by the Rev. J. H. Johnson, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol, the Bishop pronouncing the Benediction.

At the close of the service the Convention was called to order by the Bishop in the chapel of St. John's Church. The roll was called, and the record of the first day's proceedings was read and approved.

The Committee on Canons reported as follows:

[No. 2.]

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the question of the change of the corporate name of this Convention, respectfully recommend that the corporate name be, "The Protestant Episcopal Church of Rhode Island," and that a committee of three be appointed to secure the necessary change from the Legislature.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the report was referred back to the Committee on Canons to report to the next Convention.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the organization of the General Convention made report, and on motion, the report was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider so much of the Bishop's Address as related to the organization of the General Convention, respectfully report that while they are fully sensible of the many great objections to the present mode of representation in the General Convention, and are convinced that some change is desirable in order to make that body less unwieldly; they are not at present prepared to recommend any action, but express the hope that something may be done at the approaching session of the General Convention.

GEORGE J. MAGILL, *Chairman.*
C. A. L. RICHARDS,
WILLIAM GROSVENOR.

The Report of the Committee appointed at the last Convention to prepare a form of charter or act of incorporation for churches in this Diocese and to consider the subject of parochial franchise, was called from the table.

On motion, the report was referred back to the Committee with instruction to report to the next Convention.

On motion, the motion to recommit the report was reconsidered by the Convention, and on further motion the report was ordered to be printed and presented to the next Convention.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The undersigned appointed at the last Convention a committee to prepare a form of charter or act of incorporation for churches in this Diocese, respectfully report:

In his Annual Address to the Convention in 1870, the Bishop recommended that we ask from the Legislature the passage of a general act of incorporation for parishes (p 28).

The matter was referred to a special committee (p. 30), who reported to the Convention in 1871.

The proposed act was ordered to be printed in the journal for consideration at the next Convention (pp. 29-30).

In 1872 the bill was again printed in the journal, and still farther postponed to the next Convention (pp 33-34).

In 1873 it was

"*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee be instructed to apply to the General Assembly for the enactment of a law for the incorporation of parishes, in accordance with the form reported to the last Convention, with such alterations as they may think proper."

At the January session of the General Assembly, A. D. 1874, the Standing Committee presented its petition for the passage of an act to incorporate parishes, which was continued without action to the January session, 1876, when the bill was indefinitely postponed and the petitioners had leave to withdraw.

Notwithstanding this action of the Assembly, your committee believe that the passage of such an act is highly desirable, and that it could be obtained

They have accordingly prepared and herewith report a bill for that purpose, adhering as closely to the form already approved by the Convention as in their opinion was desirable.

This committee was also directed at the last Convention to "consider and report upon the subject of parochial franchise," and to this subject they have given careful consideration.

Without here referring to the numerous dissimilar usages prevailing in different parishes, your committee are of opinion that there should be some general rule applicable to all.

The only general qualifications which they deem it expedient to recommend are that voters in parishes should be either communicants of the parish or regular contributors to its support.

Nothing less than this seems to be reasonable, and all details beyond this should be left for each parish to decide for itself.

In order to apply these qualifications to parishes hereafter to be formed, your committee have embodied them in the bill herewith reported. To apply them to parishes already existing would require action by the Convention by amendment of the Canons

A Bill for the Incorporation of Parishes.

Section 1. Any number of laymen, not less than seven, resident in this State, may, with the consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Rhode Island, organize themselves into a parish, in the manner herein set forth; and thereupon shall be a corporation for religious and charitable purposes, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and duties set forth in chapter 139 of the General Statutes, and all acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

Sec. 2. Such organization shall be made by an instrument in writing, signed by the persons making the same, which shall set forth in substance, the ecclesiastical consent by which it is made, the name of the parish and its location; that they organize for the maintenance of the worship of God, in accordance with the liturgy, rites and usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and subject to the laws and to the ecclesiastical authority of said Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island; and also the names of the persons appointed to be wardens, vestrymen and clerk of said parish.

Sec. 3. Upon the organization as aforesaid and the filing in the office of the Secretary of State a certificate, signed by the several corporators, stating that they have so organized and accepted the provisions of this act for their charter, and that they and their successors will be concluded and bound thereby, and stating also the corporate name and the location of said parish, the said parish shall thereupon become a corporation to all intents and purposes as provided in Section 1 of this act.

SEC. 4. Said parishes shall at their organization, and afterwards at their annual meetings, appoint two wardens, a clerk and as many vestrymen and such other officers as their by-laws may require, who shall hold their offices until the next annual meeting of the parish and until others are elected in their places.

SEC 5. The annual meeting of such parishes shall be held on the Monday of Easter week.

SEC. 6. The rector of the parish, if there be one, shall be ex-officio chairman of all meetings of the corporation and vestry, and such rector when there is one, with the wardens and vestrymen, shall together constitute a vestry, which shall have charge and management of all the property and affairs of the parish, and shall elect a rector in case of a vacancy, subject, however, to the by-laws of the parish The clerk of the parish shall be clerk of the vestry, and shall keep a record of all the doings of the parish and vestry.

SEC. 7. Said parishes shall determine by their by-laws what persons may be admitted members of the parish, and how they may be admitted to and removed from membership, provided that no person shall be admitted or retained as a member of said corporation, unless he be a communicant of said parish or a regular contributor to its support at the time, recognized as such by the vestry; the manner of calling and notifying meetings of the parish, the manner of levying and collecting taxes upon the pews or seats in the parish churches, and upon members of the parish; the proceedings for the sale of pews, for non-payment of taxes, and such other things as they may deem necessary, not inconsistent with the laws of this State.

SEC. 8. Said parishes may levy taxes upon the pews or seats in any church used by them, and may sell the same to enforce said levy in accordance with any general rule that they may establish by their by-laws.

SEC 9. Each body corporate authorized by this act shall at all times be subject to the laws, discipline and usages of said Protestant Episcopal Church; shall receive and enjoy its franchises as a body politic solely for the purposes mentioned in Section 2 of this act, and upon the violation, surrender or repeal of its charter, its property, real and personal, shall rest in the Bishop of the Diocese of Rhode Island and his successors in trust for the uses and purposes above set forth.

Respectfully submitted,

BOBERT B. PEET,
W. W. BLODGETT,
JOHN H. STINESS.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the non-attendance of children at Church, made a verbal statement that they had no report to present.

On motion, the Rev. Daniel Goodwin was appointed to fill a vacancy in this Committee.

On motion, it was referred to the Committee on Canons to so amend the Standing Order of Business that a place shall be assigned to the Election of Board of Audit and Finance.

The Committee on Canons thereupon reported as follows:

[No. 3.]

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the place to be assigned to the Election of the Board of Audit and Finance, respectfully recommend that it be placed as No. 4 in the Order of Elections, and the following numbers be changed accordingly.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

The Convention then proceeded to the elections, and the clergy and laity retired separately to nominate Deputies and Supplementary Deputies to the General Convention.

Upon their return the Clergy reported that they had nominated the following named persons to be

DEPUTIES.

Rev. DAVID H. GREER, Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW,
" C. A. L. RICHARDS, " GEORGE J. MAGILL.

And the following to be

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

Rev. D. R. BREWER, Rev. R. B. PEET,
" E. H. PORTER, " WM. P. TUCKER.

The Laity reported that they have nominated as

DEPUTIES.

Mr. John H. Stiness,
" Thomas P. I. Goddard,
Mr. Augustus Hoppin,
" William W. Blodgett.

And the following as

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

Mr. John H. Cozzens,
" C. B. Farnsworth,
Mr. John C. Burrington,
" Richard M. Sherman.

The Chair directed that the two Orders again retire to confirm or reject the nominations made to them.

When the Convention again assembled the Clergy reported that they had confirmed the nominations made by the Laity.

The Chair then declared the above named Laymen duly elected Deputies and Supplementary Deputies to the General Convention.

The Laity reported that they had confirmed the nominations made by the Clergy.

The Chair then declared the above named Clergy duly elected Deputies and Supplementary Deputies to the General Convention.

The following persons were elected

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS,

TO SERVE FOR TWO YEARS.

Rev. W. N. Ackley,	Mr. Geo. L. Cooke,
" C. A. L. Richards.	" Chas. E. Boon,
	" Wm. Grosvenor.

Mr. James M. Cross was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

Mr. C. B. Farnsworth was elected a member of the Board of Audit and Finance for the term of three years, Mr. George C. Nightingale, Sr., declining a re-election.

The Rev. S. H. Webb was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

The Standing Committee was re-elected as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw,	Mr. E. A. Greene,
" D. H. Greer,	" George L. Cooke,
" C. A. L. Richards,	" W. W. Blodgett,
" George J. Magill,	" T. P. I. Goddard.

Mr. William Goddard was re-elected a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund.

The following persons were nominated as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

Rev. Daniel Henshaw,	Rev. George J. Magill,
" J. W. Colwell,	" W. F. B. Jackson.

Mr. Edwin Babcock having declined a re-election, the following persons were elected to be the

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

Mr. T. P. Bogert,	Mr. E. D. Bassett,
" J. L. Peirce,	" E. A. Greene.

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was re-elected as follows:

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, &c.

Mr. M. B. I. Goddard,	Mr. C. T. Dorrance,
" E. A. Greene,	" William Ames.

The Depository Board was re-elected as follows:

DEPOSITORY BOARD.

Rev. E. H. Porter,	Mr. Samuel C. Blodget,
" D. H. Greer,	" J. H. DeWolf.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Parish of St. John's Church for the hospitalities extended during the present session.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay one hundred dollars, (the sum received this year according to the provisions of the last will of Miss Sarah U. Goddard,) to the Bishop of the Diocese, to apply towards the erection of a chapel at Phenix, for St. Andrew's Mission.

On motion, the Convention then rescinded its last action relative to the Report of the Committee on Parochial Charters and Franchise.

The Rev. Francis Wharton, D. D., LL. D., then offered the following amendment to the proposed Act, which was ordered to be printed in the Journal of the Convention, and the whole matter was then recommitted to the original committee to report to the next Convention.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

Every person, who for three months immediately preceding, has rented a pew or part of a pew in any church or parish organized under this act, and has paid the tax due thereon, and has been for such period a worshipper in such church or parish; or, if there be no pews rented in such church or parish, has been a worshipper therein for three months, and has paid to the treasurer of the parish, for its support in the prior fiscal year ending three months before such election, a sum not less than twenty dollars, shall be entitled to vote at all elections held by such corporation. *Provided*, that no corporation organized under this act shall have power to sell or mortgage its real estate without consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

On motion, the name of Rev. Francis Wharton, D. D., LL. D., was added to said Committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention be held in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence

On motion,

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid to the sexton of St. John's Church, for his services at this Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the assessments ordered upon the several parishes at this session of the Convention be paid to the Treasurer on or before the first day of August, 1880.

On motion,

Resolved, That the whole subject of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island be referred to a committee to correct and arrange and make report to the next Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be said Committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary and Treasurer, and that ten copies be given to each parish, and the remainder, after deducting the prescribed number of copies, be distributed *pro rata* in accordance with the assessments for the expenses of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes of the day's proceedings, and the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes were then read and approved.

The Bishop offered prayer and pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned.

SAMUEL H. WEBB, *Secretary*.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

Through the good providence of God, we are all spared to meet together once more in our Annual Convention. Twenty-five years ago, I delivered my first address to the clergy and laity of the Diocese in this Church; one-half of those who were enrolled on the clerical list at that time have passed away from earth; and of the names that were then called, there are but five left to-day, recorded among the members of this Diocese—Brewer, Carpenter, Henshaw, Leach and Williams. There were twenty-two organized parishes in Rhode Island and twenty-three parochial clergymen. The whole number of communicants was 2,614, and there were 2,231 Sunday-school scholars. The Sunday offerings and contributions for religious purposes during the year amounted to $10,167. The assessment upon the parishes for Convention expenses and the Bishop's salary was $655.

To-day there are forty-four parishes and forty-eight clergymen. There were reported last year 6,396 communicants, and 6,374 Sunday-school scholars. The contributions for missionary and charitable purposes amounted to $34,218.

With the limited field to which our labors are restricted we have cause to be thankful for the blessing which has attended the Church in this Diocese during the last quarter of a century.

I will now present to you a statement of the official acts that I have performed during the past year, omitting as usual all notice of ordinary ministerial services; every Sunday in the year, with a single exception, having been occupied in some public ministration.

On the Sunday after Convention, June 15th, I confirmed six at the St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix, and four in St. Philip's Church, Crompton. The call for a new church in the former place and the need of enlarged accommodations in Crompton, still continue, and I know of no region where the liberality of the churchmen of the Diocese can be exercised with the promise of richer returns.

On the 19th of June the Rev. A. B. Carver was admitted to priest's orders by Bishop Stevens, at my request.

On Sunday, July 6th, I confirmed five in Christ Church, Lonsdale. The rector has been absent in Europe during the most of the year, on account of his impaired health, and his place has been most satisfactorily supplied by the Rev. Frederic Palmer.

On the same day I confirmed five in Emmanuel Church, Manville, and ordained to the priesthood the Rev. Henry Hague, who has become rector of this Church and of the Chapel on Cumberland Hill.

On the 23d of July I gave my consent to the consecration of the Bishop-elect of Michigan.

On St. James's Day, July 25th, I admitted the Rev. William M. Chapin to the priesthood in St. John's Church, Barrington, who has entered upon the duties of the rectorship with every promise of success.

On Sunday, August 10th, I visited St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier, and the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield. The corner-stone of a new church in the latter place will soon be laid, and a substantial and beautiful edifice is to be erected there.

On Sunday, August 24th, I visited All Saints' Chapel, Newport.

On the 25th of August, I laid the corner stone of St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown. It is a matter of special congratulation that the unsightly edifice in which for many years our services have been held is now replaced by a building at once convenient and attractive to the eye, and in keeping with the new prosperity that has visited the island of Conanicut.

On Sunday, September 21st, I preached in a hall in the town of old Warwick, and confirmed one person from St. Stephen's Church, Providence. Since that time a beautiful church has been built on Warwick neck, which is to be consecrated on Thursday the first day of July, the corner-stone having been laid on the seventh of October, last. There are some interesting facts connected with this movement. In the earlier part of the last century and for some years later on, occasional services were held in this vicinity by the missionaries of the English Society, for the propagation of the gospel in foreign parts, and when Trinity Church, Newport, was rebuilt, the original building was floated up the bay and placed upon the Warwick shore. A few grave stones still remain to show where the church stood. In 1750, the Lord Bishop of London presented an elegant folio Bible and Prayer Book to the Warwick Church, which have been carefully preserved by the family into whose hands they fell, and will be deposited in the new church, which is

to be named after St. Mary's, the famous old church in Warwick, England.

On Sunday, September 28th, I confirmed two in St. Mary's, South Portsmouth, and also visited the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

On the 11th of October, the corner-stone of the Church of the Epiphany, Providence, was laid with appropriate ceremonies. The church was occupied for the first time on Easter Day, and is a most beautiful and convenient edifice. The Rev. J. M. C. Fulton has entered upon his duties as rector of this new flourishing parish. A severe domestic affliction has visited our brother at his first coming among us, and in which we all deeply sympathize with him and his family.

On the 6th of December, services appropriate to the twenty-fifth anniversary of my consecration were held in Grace Church, Providence. Nearly all the clergy of the Diocese were present, and a large number of our leading citizens and ministers of various denominations. Everything was conducted with simplicity and great propriety, and much to my gratification, the Episcopal fund was placed at such a point, by the liberal offerings of the churches of the Diocese, as will relieve us hereafter from all burdensome assessments. To my brethren of the clergy I am indebted for a most appropriate token of their personal kindness and regard. I most heartily rejoice in the fact that there continues to prevail such a spirit of peace and fraternal unity throughout the Diocese, and that no minor differences of opinion prevent us from working together with one heart and soul for the furtherance of the gospel and the establishment and extension of the Church.

On the 15th of December, I gave my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, D. D., as Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

On the 17th of December, I admitted Charles Howard Malcom, D. D., to the Holy Order of Deacons in Grace Church, Providence.

On the 18th of December, I admitted the Rev. Frederic Palmer to the priesthood in Christ Church, Lonsdale. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Phillips Brooks.

On the 8th of January, acting under the direction of the Presiding Bishop, I consecrated the Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, D. D., as Bishop of Northern New Jersey. The services were held in Grace Church, Newark, and the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Long Island.

On Sunday, January 25th, at the request of the Bishop of New York, I admitted E. Warren Clark to the Holy Order of Deacons in the Church of the Holy Trinity, New York city.

On Sunday, February 8th, I confirmed five in St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

On Sunday, the 15th, I confirmed eleven in Trinity Church Bristol.

On the 17th I confirmed one sick person in private, connected with St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

On Sunday, the 22d, I visited St. James's Church, Providence. The Rev. William F. B. Jackson has taken the rectorship, with every prospect of success. Through the liberality of the gentleman to whom we are indebted for the erection of this church, it has been adorned with twenty-four beautiful cartoons representing the most prominent scenes in the life of the Saviour, and executed in the highest style of art. These pictures line the walls of the building on four sides, and without being obtrusive to the eye, they give to the church a remarkably pleasing and artistic appearance.

On the afternoon of the same day, it being the anniver-

sary of Washington's birthday, I delivered an address in the new and spacious armory of the Providence Light Infantry. The service was read by the Rev. Mr. Webb, chaplain of the regiment, and the choir of St. Stephen's Church, with the aid of a full orchestra, rendered the music in a very edifying and impressive manner. The military and other citizens crowded the hall to its utmost capacity, and it was the largest congregation that I ever addressed on Sunday, in Rhode Island.

On Sunday, the 29th, I confirmed four in Emmanuel Church, Manville, and in the afternoon preached in the Chapel, on Cumberland Hill. The Rev. Henry Hague has the charge of both places, and he has also established services in the neighboring village of Albion. Peace and prosperity reign there.

On Sunday, March 7th, I confirmed twelve in St. John's Church, Barrington, with a single exception, the largest number ever confirmed there. The Rev. William M. Chapin is now the rector of the parish, and has established a parochial school, which, it is hoped, may grow into a large and permanent establishment under his general supervision. An effort is in progress for the erection of a suitable building, and the energy and zeal of the new incumbent deserves to be rewarded with success. In the evening I visited St. Mark's Church, Warren.

On the 11th of March, I confirmed five in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

On Sunday, the 14th, I confirmed one in St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

On Sunday, the 21st, I confirmed fourteen in St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

On the evening of Good Friday I confirmed eleven in Christ Church, South Providence. There has always been

a small debt resting upon this Church, which the rector has made the most strenuous effort to relieve, at a greater pecuniary sacrifice on his own part than could reasonably be expected. I see occasion every year to regret that this church was not built on a much larger scale, as it is not half large enough to accommodate those who would like to attend.

On Easter day I confirmed forty-seven in Grace Church, Providence, and in the evening confirmed twelve in the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

On Sunday, April 4th, I confirmed seven in St. John's Church, Providence. In the evening, confirmed three in the Church of the Saviour, Providence. This church has been greatly improved by the erection of a new vestry-room, the refurnishing of the chancel and the general advancement of the building.

On Sunday, the 11th, I confirmed twenty-five in Christ Church, Westerly, and in the afternoon preached to a large congregation on Potter's Hill.

On Sunday, the 18th, I confirmed ten in Zion Church, Newport, and sixteen in Emmanuel Church, Newport. This church has been much improved in its appearance during the past year, and all the decorations are in the best and purest taste.

On the 21st, I confirmed four in St. James's Church, Providence.

On Sunday, the 25th, I confirmed fourteen in St. Gabriel's Church, Providence. This Church has now become an independent parish, and the rector has also taken charge of the services at St. Thomas's Mission. In the afternoon I confirmed eleven in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket, and in the evening visited Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

On Sunday, May 2d, I confirmed thirteen in St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

On the afternoon of Ascension Day, I confirmed ten in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, one from the Church of the Messiah, and in the evening confirmed nine in St. Mary's Church, East Providence, making fourteen in all. The children of St. Mary's Orphanage continue to receive the best and kindest attention.

On Sunday, May 9th, I confirmed fifteen in Christ Church, Lonsdale, and three in St. John's, Ashton.

On the 13th of May I visited St. Thomas's Church, Greenville and confirmed three persons.

On the evening of the 14th the annual musical festival was held in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence. The evening service was rendered chorally, with the aid of an orchestra and several of our church choirs, and a crowded congregation testified to the interest of the occasion. The steady improvement throughout the Diocese in this very important part of our worship is a cause for special congratulation, and everything that is likely to induce further advance in the style of our Church music deserves to be regarded with favor.

On Whitsunday I confirmed thirteen in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence; and in the evening confirmed six in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket. Eleven have been confirmed in this church during the year.

On the 19th of May I attended the laying of the corner stone of St. Stephen's Church, Lynn, Mass., and preached in the old church at night.

On Trinity Sunday, the 23d, I visited St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

On Saturday evening, the 29th, I had the pleasure of addressing the members of the Rev. Dr. Child's school, Newport. I know of no similar institution where the pupils receive a more thorough and genuine training, and are more

carefully and kindly watched over and protected from evil influences. If all the advantages secured to young men in this school were more generally known, it would be impossible for the rector to accommodate the pupils who would be sure to apply for admission.

On Sunday, the 30th, I confirmed twenty-seven in Trinity Church, Newport, fourteen of whom came from St. John's Chapel.

The Rev. Clarence W. Colton will enter upon his duties as rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston, on Sunday next. The people have rallied to the support of the church in this place with renewed zeal and energy, and the new rector will enter upon his work under very pleasant auspices.

On the 2d of June I confirmed eight in St. Michael's Church, Bristol; making twenty-one in all.

On Sunday, June 6th, I confirmed nine in St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich. The Rev. Mr. Goodwin, who has become the rector of this parish, may well be congratulated upon the results which have already attended his labors, the entire debt having been extinguished at Easter, so that the beautiful church is now ready for consecration. In the afternoon I confirmed two in All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac. The services continue to be held in an upper hall, but it is believed that a church will soon be erected by the liberality of the Company, whose works are stationed here, and who have always contributed generously to sustain the church in this place.

The whole number confirmed in the Diocese during the year is three hundred and fifty-five.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Hezekiah W. Munro,
Otis Olney Wright,
Henry Bassett,
Alva E. Carpenter,
Charles F. Starkweather,
Isaac T. Bagnall.

One of our candidates, James L. McKinley, has been taken out of this world. He died in peace, and early rests from his labors.

ORDINATIONS.

Charles Howard Malcolm, D. D., has been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons.

The Rev. A. B. Carver, Henry Hague, William M. Chapin and Frederic Palmer have been ordained to the Priesthood.

CLERGY TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. G. Pomroy Allen to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

The Rev. W. D. U. Shearman to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. Charles M. Pyne to the Diocese of New York.

CLERGY RECEIVED INTO THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. William M. Chapin,
from the Diocese of Western Texas.
The Rev. Daniel Goodwin,
from the Diocese of Massachusetts.
The Rev. Frederic Palmer,
from the Diocese of Massachusetts.
The Rev. William F. B. Jackson,
from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Arthur T. Parsons,
from the Diocese of Connecticut.
The Rev. J. M. C. Fulton, from the Diocese of Vermont.
The Rev. Clarence W. Colton,
from the Diocese of Connecticut.

CORNER-STONES LAID.

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.
St. Mary's Church, Warwick.
Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

CLERGY DEPOSED FROM THE MINISTRY.

I have received notice that the following persons have been deposed from the ministry:

George W. Brown,	By Bishop Niles.
Samuel W, Seaton,	" Bishop Penick.
George W. Benjamin,	" Bishop Littlejohn.
William B. Morgan,	" Bishop Littlejohn.
F. W. Damus,	" Bishop Wilmer.
James Chrystal,	" Bishop Pinkney.
Charles E. Fitz,	" Bishop Neeley.
Simon X. Boyer,	" Bishop M. A. D'W. Howe.
Charles T. Kellogg,	" Bishop Scarbrough.

Samuel Allen McCoskry, Bishop of Michigan, has also been deposed.

I know of nothing that calls for special comment in the present condition of the Diocese. There is at present but one vacant rectorship, and with very few exceptions the churches and missionary stations are in a more flourishing condition than they ever were before. One or two are still burdened with debt, but I believe that a contribution of not more than fifteen or twenty thousand dollars would enable us to say, and it would be a very pleasant thing if we were able to make such an announcement, that every church in the Diocese of Rhode Island is freed of all pecuniary incumbrance. I would suggest to the Convention that the Finance Committee be requested to ascertain the entire amount of indebtedness now existing and to report the facts at our

next session with a view to such action as may enable us to relieve our churches within a reasonable limit of time of the burdens which now in a measure impair their prosperity.

The clergy are doing their work quietly aud faithfully, undistracted by dissension, and undisturbed by party strife. The stated meetings which they hold for conference and the free interchange of opinion are tending to bind them together in the bonds of mutual respect and affection. I doubt if there is a diocese in the land where there is more of the spirit of harmony and peace. I only wish that there were a more general interest in the work of our Diocesan missions, and that the contributions to this very important department of church work were more equitably distributed. I am happy to say that the response to the request that I made for a collection on every occasion of Episcopal visitation in the present year has been general, and in most cases quite liberal, enabling the Board once more to report itself out of debt. Their report will show what has been done and what they desire to do in the future.

During the past year two of our Bishops, Odenheimer and Whittingham, have been removed by death. They were men of mark in the church, positive in their opinions, but very kind in temper, active and devoted to their work in season and out of season, thoroughly imbued with ecclesiastical learning, devout men, who walked with God here on earth, as, we doubt not, they now walk with Him in Paradise.

Since the date of my consecration, thirty-eight of our Bishops have died, precisely the same number who were living at that time. "Our days on earth are as a shadow." "Whatever our hands find to do, let us do it with all our might."

Appendix.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PROVIDENCE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Providence.

The Rev. C. A. L. RICHARDS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; Adults, 3; total, 10. Confirmed, 7. Communicants added—new, 7; by removal, 1; total added, 8. Died, 7. Removed, 2. Present number, about 400. Marriages, 14. Burials, 15. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 29; scholars, 272.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $842.94; Domestic Missions, $1,144.39; Foreign Missions, $1,882.31: Home Missions to Colored People, $242.13; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $329.11; Indian Missions, $1,157.43; the Church in Mexico, $169.00; the Episcopal Fund, $4.435 69; the Communion Alms, $1,263.10; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $6,197.46; total $17,663.56.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $7,220.94; all other contributions, $2,793.37; total for Parish purposes, $10,014.31.

Grace Church, Providence.

THE REV. DAVID H. GREER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 17; Adults, 21; total, 38. Confirmed, 47. Communicants added—new, 47; by removal, 11; total added, 58. Died, 9. Removed, 10 Present number, 719. Marriages, 31. Burials, 30. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 50; scholars, 450.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $957.85; Domestic Missions, $566.00; Foreign Missions, $413.15; Education for the Ministry, $225.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $25.00; Indian Missions, $354.43; Episcopal Endowment Fund, $3,104.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $2,201.65; total, $7,847.08.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $10,108.16; all other contributions, $481.08; total for Parish Purposes, $10,589.24.

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

THE REV. JAMES W. COLWELL, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; Adults, 4; total, 20. Confirmed, 10. Communicants added—new, 10; by removal, 1; total added, 11. Died, 2. Removed, 1. Present number, 280. Marriages, 12. Burials, 20. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; scholars, 125.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $128.37; Domestic Missions, $42.50; Foreign Missions, $108.50; Education for the Ministry, $60.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $43 29; Indian Missions, $75.30; Promotion of Christianity among Jews, $25.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $1,361.03; total, $1,843 99.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $6,690.29; all other contributions, $2,267.88; total for Parish Purposes, $8,958.17.

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

THE REV. DANIEL HENSHAW, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 14; Adults, 6; total, 20. Confirmed, 13. Communicants added—new, 13; by removal, 14; total added, 27. Died, 8. Removed, 10. Present number, 300.* Marriages, 8. Burials, 14. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 28; scholars, 307.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS

For Diocesan Missions, $111.88; Domestic Missions, $440.84; Foreign Missions, $153.74; Home Missions to Colored People, $52.88; Education for the Ministry, $53.77; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $17.73; Indian Missions, $109.64; Church in Mexico, $46.83; Endowment of Episcopal Fund, $436.82; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $634.17; total, $2,058.30.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $4,368.56; total for Parish Purposes, $4,368 56.

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

THE REV. DELANCEY G. RICE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 33; Adults, 3; total, 36. Confirmed, 12. Communicants added—new, 12; by removal, 8; total added, 20. Died, 3.

* The discrepancy between this and the last report may be accounted for by the fact that the names of a number of persons who have not been in the parish for a year or longer have been erased from the list.

Removed, 3. Present number, 143. Marriages, 20. Burials, 37. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 19; scholars, 150.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $22.56; Domestic Missions, $14.17; R. I. Hospital, $12 45; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $144 00; total, $293.18.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,400.00; all other contributions, $153.94; total for Parish Purposes, $1,553 94.

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

The Rev. CHARLES H. WHEELER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 18; Adults, 4; total, 22. Communicants added—new, 3; total added, 3. Died, 1. Removed, 3. Present number, about 178. Marriages, 14. Burials, 12. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 26; scholars, 170.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Domestic Missions, $40.00; Ireland, $16.65; Episcopal Endowment Fund, $50 00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $177.00; total, $283.65.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,355.91; all other contributions, $294.09; total for Parish Purposes, $1,650.00.

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

THE REV. JOHN C. HEWLETT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; Adults, 4; total, 20. Confirmed,* 3. Communicants added—new, 5; by removal, 7; total added, 12. Died, 3. Removed, 6. Present number, about 145. Marriages, 8. Burials, 14. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 20; scholars, 175.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $19.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3.00; Mission to the Mutes, $4.00; Mission to the Jews, $4.00; Episcopal Fund, $70.00; R. I. Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary Board of Missions, $20.05; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $83.67; total, $203.72.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,623.59; all other contributions, $892.65; total for Parish Purposes, $2,516.24.

Several improvements have been made in the church yard and building. The church has been repaired and painted. There have been presented to it by Mrs. Martha H. Burrough, Chancel Furniture, viz.: altar, kneeling stools, chairs, lecturn and pulpit, and also a robing room.

Christ Church, Providence.

THE REV. SAMUEL H. WEBB, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 23; Adults, 5; total, 28. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—new, 11; by removal, 4; total added, 15. Died, 4. Removed, 9. Present number, 160. Marriages, 10. Burials, 31. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; scholars, 220.

* There were two classes confirmed last year. The last was one on May 27. This is one reason why the number confirmed is so small this year.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $20.00; Domestic Missions, $10 00; Foreign Missions, $10.00; Education for the Ministry, $4.00. Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes not above specified, $22.78; total, $69.78.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $771.81; all other contributions, $314.74; total for Parish Purposes, $1,086.55.

St. James's Church, Providence.

THE REV. WILLIAM F. B. JACKSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 10; Adults, 3; total, 13. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added—new, 5; by removal, 6; total added, 11. Died, 3. Removed, 2. Present number, 80. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 12; scholars, 115.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $22.41; Ireland, $7.07; Communion Alms,* $40.65; total, $70.13.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,205.10; total for Parish Purposes, $1,205.10.

The present Rector took charge of the parish at the beginning of the new year, and he has been unable to find as many communicants as were given in the last report.

* The amount of the Alms Fund is only reckoned from January.

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

THE REV. ALEXANDER B. CARVER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 12; Adults, 6; total, 18. Confirmed, 13. Communicants added—new, 19; total added, 19. Present number, 67. Burials, 9. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 15; scholars, 105.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $4.12; Communion Alms, $30.88; Episcopal Fund, $24 95; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $20.52; total, $80.47.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,361.51; all other contributions, $207.58; total for Parish Purposes, $1,569.09.

St. Thomas's Chapel, Providence.

(No Report.)

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

THE REV. J. M. C. FULTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 2; Adults, 6; total, 8. Communicants added—by removal, 22; total added, 22. Removed, 3. Present number, 47. Burials, 3. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; scholars, 137.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $7.50; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $1.40; Episcopal Fund, $24.39; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $29.38; total, $62.67.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $917.93; all other contributions, $4,275.50; total for Parish Purposes, $5,193.43.

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

THE REV. EMERY HUNTINGTON PORTER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 15; Adults, 3; total, 18. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—new, 11; by removal, 6; total added, 17. Died, 5. Removed, 13. Present number, 267. Marriages, 18. Burials, 31. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 15; scholars, 157.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $99.75; Domestic Missions, $33.81; Foreign Missions, $9.13; Episcopal Fund, $200; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $292; total, $634.69.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,325.23; all other contributions, $1,197.22; total for Parish Purposes, $3,522.45.

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

THE REV. WILLIAM PACKARD TUCKER, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; total, 7. Communicants added—new, 2; by removal, 7; total added, 9. Died, 1. Removed, 11. Present number, 190. Marriages, 9. Burials, 9. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 16; scholars, 120.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $35; Domestic Missions, $70.70; Foreign Missions, $19.75; Home Missions to Colored People, $10.26; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $7; Church of Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, $25; Society for Evangelizing Jews, $6.95; Diocesan Endowment Fund, $30; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $96.85; total, $301.51.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,296.52; all other contributions, $532.22; total for Parish Purposes, $2,828.74.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

THE REV. BENJAMIN EASTWOOD, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 37; Adults, 2; total, 39. Confirmed, 11. Communicants added—new, 6; total added, 6. Present number, 90. Marriages, 17. Burials, 15. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 21; scholars, 175.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $15.86; Domestic Missions, $11.73; Bishop's Fund, $17.30; Irish Relief, $4.31; total, $49.20.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $387.42; all other contributions, $875.29; total for Parish Purposes, $1,262.71.

St. George's Church, Lincoln.

CENTRAL FALLS.

THE REV. A. T. PARSONS, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; Adults, 2; total, 18. Communicants added—by removal, 2; total added, 2. Died, 3. Removed, 10. Present number, 78. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 12; scholars, 85.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $15.87; the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3; Rhode Island Hospital, $6; Episcopal Fund, $16; all

other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $5; total, $45.87.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $505.12; all other contributions, including Guild and donations, $634.43; total for Parish Purposes, $1,139.55.

The present Rector has been in charge since the first of March.

St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls.

THE REV. A. T. PARSONS, MINISTER.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; total, 7. Communicants—present number, 8.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $2.65; total, $2.65.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $37.07; total for Parish Purposes, $37 07.

No services were held at this Mission from the middle of September last, till the second Sunday in March of the current year.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

(No Report.)

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

THE REV. S. H. WEBB, MISSIONARY.

Baptisms—Infants, 4; Adults, 1; total, 5. Communicants added—by removal, 1; total added, 1. Removed, 4. Present number, 32. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 80.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $12; Domestic Missions, $5; Foreign Missions, $5; Education for the Ministry, $2; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $2; total, $26.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $200; all other contributions, $42; total for Parish Purposes, $242.

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

THE REV. FREDERIC PALMER, MINISTER.

Baptisms—Infants, 32; Adults, 3; total, 35. Confirmed, 21. Communicants added—new, 21; by removal, 3; total added, 24. Died, 2. Removed, 5. Present number, 295. Marriages, 12. Burials, 21. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 40; scholars, 436.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $58.57; Domestic Missions, $40; Bishop's Endowment Fund, $182.22; Woman's Auxiliary Board, $83.71; Communion Alms, $189.66; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $50; total, $604.16.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,227.61; Sunday School expenses, $91.72; total for Parish Purposes, $2,319.33.

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

THE REV. ROBERT MURRAY, JR., RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; Adults, 2; total 18. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—new, 3; by removal, 3; total added, 6. Removed, 14. Present number, 73. Marriages, 5. Burials, 14. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 20; scholars, 215.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $8.12; Domestic Missions, $4.50; Rhode Island Hospital, $6; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5.50; American Church Missionary Society, $20; Increase of Episcopal Fund, $127; Sunday School Offerings, $77.34; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes not above specified, $136.89; total, $385.35.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,352.17; total for Parish Purposes, $1.352.17.

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

The Rev. JOSEPH LYONS MILLER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 28; Adults, 9; total, 37. Confirmed, 14. Communicants added—new, 14; by removal, 9; total added, 23. Died, 1. Removed, 25. Present number, 207. Marriages, 6. Burials, 14. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 30; scholars, 220.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $47.05; Domestic Missions, $27.30; Foreign Missions, $20; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $10; Episcopal Endowment Fund, $202; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specied, $166.50; total, $472.85.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,374.36; all other contributions, $539.95; total for Parish Purposes, $2,914.31.

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

THE REV. HENRY HAGUE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 9; Adults, 4; total, 13. Confirmed, 9. Communicants added—new, 9; by removal, 5; total added, 14. Removed, 2. Present number, 52. Marriages, 4. Burials, 2. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 16; scholars, 100.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $8; Domestic and Foreign Missions, $3; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $53.87; total, 69.87.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,277.71; all other contributions, $125; total for Parish Purposes,* $1,402.71.

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

VACANT.

Baptisms—Adults, 2; total, 2. Confirmed, 3. Communicants—Present number, 47. Burials, 4. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 43.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $10; Suffering in Ireland, $3.50; Episcopal Fund, $13; total, $26 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $350; all other contributions, $100; total for Parish Purposes, $450.

* $257.71 is to be credited to St. Mary's, Cumberland Hill.

Calvary Church, Burrillville.

VACANT.

(No Report.)

Trinity Church, South Scituate.

VACANT.

(No Report.)

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

THE REV. DANIEL I. ODELL, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 33; Adults, 3: total, 36. Confirmed, 14. Communicants added—new, 14; by removal, 3; total added, 17. Died, 1. Removed, 3. Marriages, 2. Burials, 8. Sunday School - teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 110.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For St. Mary's Orphanage, $20; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $25; total, $45.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,090.80; all other contributions, addition and repairs to church building, $285; total for Parish Purposes, $1,375.80.

The Parish has continued with a good attendance of children.

Through the efforts of the choir-master a pipe organ has been given to the Church.

St. Luke's Church, East Providence.

VACANT.

(No Report.)

BRISTOL COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Barrington.

THE REV. WILLIAM M. CHAPIN, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 11; Adults, 9; total, 20. Confirmed, 12. Communicants added—new, 12; by removal, 5; total, 17. Died, 4. Removed, 4. Present number, 53. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 6; scholars, 35.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $15.45; Domestic Missions, $30; Foreign Missions, $5.46; Education for the Ministry, $8.16; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $4.32; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $71.38; total, $134 77.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,302.91; all other contributions, $101.48; total for Parish Purposes, $1,404 39.

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

THE REV. WILLIAM N. ACKLEY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 9; total, 9. Communicants added—by removal, 1. Died, 4. Removed, 3. Present number, 168. Marriages, 5. Burials, 13. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 17; scholars, 149.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $109.60;* Domestic Missions, $28.50; Foreign Missions, $26.50; Home Missions to Colored People, $10.10; Education for the Ministry, $18 50; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $13.55; Episcopal Fund, $250; Bishop Tuttle $35.35;† Mexico, $12; Bishop Whipple, $5: Indian Children, $13;† Church at Jamestown, $10; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $106.95; total, $639.05.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,429.09; all other contributions, $243.71; total for Parish Purposes, $1,672.82.

* $35.35 of this from the Sunday School.
† From Sunday School.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

THE REV. GEORGE L. LOCKE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 28; Adults, 9; total, 37. Confirmed, 21. Communicants added—new, 22; by removal, 6; total added, 28. Died, 14. Removed, 3. Present number, 420. Marriages, 8. Burials, 30. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 37; scholars, 300.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $125.00; Domestic Missions, $100.00; Foreign Missions, $217 03; Home Missions to Colored People, $45.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $34.00; Increase of Episcopal Fund, $281.00; Special Church Work in Diocese, $65 00; R. I. Hospital, $43.90; Relief of Sufferers in Ireland, $81.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $444.20; total, $1,436.13.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,971.14; all other contributions, $1,176.78; total for Parish Purposes, $4,147.92.

Trinity Church, Bristol.

THE REV. JOSEPH H. JOHNSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 6; Adults, 5; total, 11. Confirmed, 12. Communicants added—new, 12; by removal, 1; total added, 13. Present number, 102. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 85.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $9.13; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $5.59; total, $14.72.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,203.43; all other contributions, $290 97; total for Parish Purposes, $1,494.40.

NEWPORT COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

THE REV. BENJAMIN H. CHASE, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; Adults, 1; total, 8. Communicants added—by removal, 2; total added, 2 Died, 1. Present number, 72. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6 Sunday School—teachers and officers, 6; scholars, 60; average attendance, 25.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $6.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $9.13; Bishop's Fund, $38 50; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $107.70; total, $160.33.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $820.00; all other contributions, $262.72; total for Parish Purposes, $1,082.72.

St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth, and the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

THE REV. H. WILLIAMS, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 1; Adults, 4; total, 5. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—new, 2; total added, 2. Died, 1. Removed, 1. Present number, 64. Marriages, 1. Burials, 8. Sunday Schools, 2; teachers and officers, 11; scholars, 54.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $24 00; Domestic Missions, $33.03; Foreign Missions, $6.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $6.00; Mission to the Jews, $4.00; Increase of the Episcopal Fund, $40.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $137.61; total, $250.64.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings for the support of Public Worship, $389.48; all other contributions, $146.10; total for Parish Purposes, $535.58.

Trinity Church, Newport.

THE REV. GEORGE J. MAGILL, RECTOR.

THE REV. W. INGRAM MAGILL, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms—Infants, 37; Adults, 14; total, 51. Confirmed, 27. Communicants added—new, 27; by removal, 10; total added, 37. Died, 7. Present number, 494. Marriages, 10. Burials, 30. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 69; scholars, 440.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $119 74; Domestic Missions, $400.37; Foreign Missions, $74.69; Home Missions to Colored People, $71 11; Education for the Ministry, $322.96; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $90.59; St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown, $1.911.60; St. John's Chapel, $786.50; Newport Hospital, $461.88; St. Stephen's Guild, $463.77; St. Margaret's Guild, $144.03; Needy Parishes, $162.94; Episcopal Endowment, $153.41; St. Mary's Orphanage, $199.87; Ladies' Auxiliary Missionary Association, $77.25; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $2,433.17; total, $7,873.88.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $8,000.00; total for Parish Purposes, $8,000.00; total for all purposes, $15,873.88.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Association have sent two boxes to Missionaries valued at $478.30.

Zion Church, Newport.

The Rev. E. H. KETTELL, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 5; total, 10. Confirmed, 10. Communicants added—new, 10; by removal, 2; total added, 12. Died, 4. Removed, 3. Present number, 241. Marriages. 14. Burials, 18. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 19; scholars, 185.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $10.00; Domestic Missions, $150.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $200.00; total, $360.00.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,361.50; all other contributions, $600.00; total for Parish purposes, $2,961.50.

During the past year this parish has lost three prominent members of its vestry by death—James Atkinson, who was parish clerk from its organization in 1843; John Fadden and Dr. A. A Saunders, all of whom were actively and deeply interested in the success of our work, and whose places it will be difficult to fill.

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

THE REV. ROBERT BARFE PEET, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 29; Adults, 4; total, 33. Confirmed, 16. Communicants added—new, 20; by removal, 4; total added, 24. Removed, 18. Present number, 241. Marriages, 28 Burials, 17. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 25; scholars, 257.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $24.98; Domestic Missions, $240.00; Foreign Missions, $58.14; Home Missions to Colored People, $35.00; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $20.77; Mexican League, $315.00; Irish Relief Fund, $64.98; Newport Hospital, $83.01; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $272.00; total, $1,113.88.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,527.79; all other contributions, $942 02; total for Parish Purposes, $3,469.81.

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

THE REV. GEORGE J. MAGILL, RECTOR.

THE REV. W. INGRAM MAGILL, ASSISTANT.

The amount promised by the congregation and others towards the erection of a new church has all been paid in, and the church has been completed with the exception of the tower and spire now in process of construction, for which $300 more have been raised in the place. During the summer of 1879 regular services were held by the Rector of Trinity Church, Newport, and a Sunday School was opened under the direction of Rev. Dr. Malcom. It is our hope to have the new church consecrated some time during the present summer.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Christ Church, Westerly.

THE REV. DARIUS RICHMOND BREWER, RECTOR.

THE REV. S. G. BABCOCK, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms—Infants, 12; Adults, 13; total, 25. Confirmed, 25. Communicants added—new, 20; by removal, 5; total added, 25. Died, 4. Removed, 5. Present number, 215. Marriages, 12. Burials, 15. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 31; scholars, 305.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $36.14; Domestic Missions, $40.81; Foreign Missions ($50 from Sunday School), $168.81; Home Missions to Colored People, $14.46; R. I. Hospital, $26.67: Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $14.00; Episcopal Fund, $100.00; Indian Missions ($90 from Sunday School), $112.50; Mexico, $26.81; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $322.89; total, $863.09.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Offerings and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $3,530.29; all other contributions, $343.92; total for Parish Purposes, $3,874.21.

A box, valued at $30, was sent to the R. I. Hospital. Another, valued at $85, was sent to the R. I. Branch, Woman's Auxiliary, to Board of Missions.

The Industrial School is continued.

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

THE REV. CHARLES H. BIXBY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 4; Adults, 1; total, 5. Communicants added—by removal, 2; total added, 2. Removed, 1. Present number, 76. Marriages, 6. Burials, 12. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 70.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Education for the Ministry, $5.00; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $5.00; total, $10.00.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $3,096.56; all other contributions, $300.00; total for Parish Purposes, $3,396 56.

Of the contributions for Parish purposes, $2,996.01 were raised in connection with the services at St. Peter's by the Sea, Narragansett Pier. Adjoining the lot on which stands the chapel at Narragansett Pier, a beautiful and commodious rectory has been built since the last report. Nearly half of the amount needed for its erection was raised last summer. There is a fair prospect of raising the balance of the debt the present season.

Before another year it is hoped the new church building will have been erected at Wakefield. The amount needed is nearly all in. The amount will appear in next year's report, and is not included in the contributions mentioned above.

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

The Rev. WILLIAM WARREN AYRES, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 9; Adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added—new, 1; by removal, 7; total added, 8. Died, 4. Removed, 10. Present number, 120. Marriages, 1. Burials, 11. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 18; scholars, 30.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms

For Diocesan Missions, $28.29; Domestic Missions, $78.70; Foreign Missions, $24.20; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $16.45; Communion Alms, $35.63; Increase of Episcopal Fund, $66.00; total, $249.27.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,558.53; all other contributions, $202 50; total for Parish Purposes, $1,761.03.

KENT COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

THE REV. DANIEL GOODWIN, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 30; Adults, 3; total, 33. Confirmed, 9. Communicants added—new, 9; by removal, 2; total added, 11. Removed, 1. Present number, about 150. Marriages, 2. Burials, 6. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 30; scholars, 181.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS

For Diocesan Missions, $78.13; Domestic Missions, $73.74; Foreign Missions, $31.58; R. I. Hospital, $70; Fund for the support of the Episcopate, $280.79; Suffering children in Ireland, from Sunday School, $135.72; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes not above specified, $41.34; total, $711.30.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $2,100.21; all other contributions, $4,742.09; total for Parish Purposes, $6,842.30.

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

THE REV. T. H. COCROFT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 19; total, 19. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added—new, 3; by removal, 2; total added, 5. Died, 1. Removed, 3. Present number, 50. Marriages, 6. Burials, 33. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 9; scholars, 80.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $8.50; Domestic Missions, $3.90; Foreign Missions, $4.05; Education for the Ministry, $10; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3; Episcopal Fund, $27.28; Indian Missions, $1.25; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $23; total, $80.98.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $500; all other contributions, $100; total for Parish Purposes, $600.

All Saint's Chapel, Pontiac.

THE REV. JOSEPH E. LINDHOLM, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—new, 2; by removal, 6; total added, 8. Removed, 4. Present number, 48. Marriages, 6. Burials, 10. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 12; scholars, 78.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, $10.83; Domestic Missions, $10; Foreign Missions, $8; Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., $3; Sufferers in Ireland, $16; R. I. Hospital, $6.75; St. Peter's Church, Lithgow, N. Y., $7; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $35.31; total, $96.89.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $1,243;* all other contributions, $21.25; total for Parish Purposes, $1,264.25.

St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix.

THE REV. T. H. COCROFT, MISSIONARY IN CHARGE.

Baptisms—Adults, 2; total 2. Confirmed, 7. Communicants added—new, 3; total added, 3. Died, 1. Removed, 4. Present number, 16. Marriages, 1; Burials, 3. Sunday School—teachers and officers, 10; scholars, 70.

* Of this sum $600 are annually contributed by Messrs. B. B. & R. Knight, of Providence, for the support of public worship, in this village.

Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.

For Diocesan Missions, $5; Domestic Missions, $2; Education for the Ministry, $5; Bishop's Fund, $3; New Church Fund, $57.72; all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, $23.39; total, $96.11.

Contributions for Parish Purposes.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions for the support of Public Worship, $192.12; all other contributions, $117; total for Parish Purposes, $309.12.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

LINCOLN, June 8, 1880.

Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark, D. D.:

As in the several preceding years, I have officiated on Sundays and other occasions as I have had ability and opportunity; regularly, at St. John's, and (a part of the year.) at All Saints' Memorial, Providence, in assisting at the Holy Communion. I have performed the office of marriage on three occasions, and attended four funerals, two of the latter reported elsewhere.

EMERY M. PORTER.

PROVIDENCE, June 8, 1880.

To the Rt. Rev. Dr. Thomas M Clark, Bishop of the Diocese of Rhode Island:

The undersigned would respectfully report that during the past Conventional year he has officiated as a supply on Sundays in Bristol, Newport, Wickford, East Greenwich, and Greenville. In the city of Providence he was employed three and a half months by St. James's Church, was several Sundays at St. Gabriel's and the Epiphany, besides assisting at other churches on sacramental occasions.

He has administered the Holy Communion nine times, married one couple, baptized one infant, and officiated once at the Hospital and on Ash Wednesday at St. Paul's, Pawtucket.

S. BRENTON SHAW, D. D.

APPENDIX.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

JUNE, 1880.

PLACES.	PARISHES.	RECTOR OR MINISTER.	BAPTISMS.			CONFIRMATIONS.	COMMUNICANTS.					MARRIAGES.	BURIALS.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.	
							ADDED.								
			Infants.	Adults.	Total.		New.	By Removal.	Total.	Died.	Removed.	Present Number.		Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	R. Murray, Jr.	16	2	18	3	3	3	6	..	14	73	5	14	215
Barrington	St. John's Church	W. M. Chapin	11	9	20	12	12	5	17	4	4	53	2	7	35
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	G. L. Locke	28	9	37	21	22	6	28	14	3	420	8	30	300
"	Trinity Church	J. H. Johnson	6	5	11	12	12	1	13	..	....	102	3	2	85
Burrillville	Calvary Church	Vacant*	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Central Falls	St. George's Church	A. T. Parsons	16	2	18	....	....	2	2	3	10	78	4	10	85
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Church	C. W. Colton*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	....
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	T. H. Cocroft	19	....	19	4	3	2	5	1	3	50	6	33	80
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	D. Goodwin	30	3	33	9	9	2	11	..	1	150	2	6	181
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	D. I Odell	33	3	36	14	14	3	17	1	3	....	3	8	110
" "	St. Luke's Church*	Vacant*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	Vacant	2	....	2	3	....	....	....	....	....	47	....	4	43
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	G. J. Magill	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lonsdale	Christ Church	F. Palmer	32	3	35	21	21	3	24	2	5	295	12	21	436
Manton	St. Peter's Church	S. H. Webb	4	1	5	....	....	1	1	..	4	32	....	4	80
Manville	Emmanuel Church	Henry Hague	9	4	13	9	9	5	14	..	2	52	4	2	100
Newport	Emmanuel Church	R. B. Peet	29	4	33	16	20	4	24	..	18	241	28	17	257
"	Trinity Church	G. J. Magill	37	14	51	27	27	10	37	7	....	494	10	30	440

Newport	Zion Church	E. H. Kettell	5	5	10	10	10	2	12	4	3	241	14	18	19	185
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	E. H. Porter	15	3	18	11	11	6	17	5	13	267	18	31	15	157
"	Trinity Church	W. P. Tucker	7	....	7	....	2	7	9	..	11	190	9	9	16	120
"	Church of the Good Shepherd	B. Eastwood	37	2	39	11	6	....	6	..	....	90	17	15	21	175
Phenix	St. Andrew's Mission	T. H. Cocroft	....	2	2	7	3	....	3	1	4	16	1	3	10	70
Pontiac	All Saints' Chapel	J. E. Lindholm	5	1	6	2	2	6	8	..	4	48	6	10	12	78
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	B. H. Chase	7	1	8	....	....	2	2	1	....	72	5	6	6	60
"	St. Mary's Church	Hobart Williams	1	4	5	2	2	....	2	1	1	64	1	8	11	54
Middletown	Chapel of the Holy Cross															
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Church	D. Henshaw	14	6	20	13	13	14	27	8	10	300	8	14	28	307
"	Christ Church	S. H. Webb	23	5	28	11	11	4	15	4	9	160	10	31	21	220
"	Church of the Epiphany	J. M. C. Fulton	2	6	8	....	....	22	22	..	3	47	....	3	21	137
"	Church of the Messiah	D. G. Rice	33	3	36	12	12	8	20	3	3	143	20	37	19	150
"	Church of the Redeemer	C. H. Wheeler	18	4	22	....	3	....	3	1	3	178	14	12	26	170
"	Church of the Saviour	J. C. Hewlett	16	4	20	3	5	7	12	3	6	145	8	14	20	175
"	Grace Church	D. H. Greer	17	21	38	47	47	11	58	9	10	719	31	30	50	450
"	St. Gabriel's Church	A. B. Carver	12	6	18	13	19	....	19	..	....	67	....	9	15	105
"	St. James's Church	W. F. B. Jackson	10	3	13	4	5	6	11	3	2	80	4	10	12	115
"	St. John's Church	C. A. L. Richards	7	3	10	7	7	1	8	7	2	400	14	15	29	272
"	St. Stephen's Church	J. W. Colwell	16	4	20	10	10	1	11	2	1	280	12	20	21	125
"	St. Thomas's Chapel	A. B. Carver*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
South Scituate	Trinity Church	Vacant*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	C. H. Bixby	4	1	5	....	...	2	2	..	....	76	6	12	9	70
Warren	St. Mark's Church	W. N. Ackley	9	..	9	....	.	1	1	4	3	168	5	13	17	149
Westerly	Christ Church	D. R. Brewer	12	13	25	25	20	5	25	4	5	215	12	15	31	305
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	W. W. Ayres	9	2	11	1	1	7	8	4	10	120	1	11	18	80
Woonsocket	St. James's Church	J. L. Miller	28	9	37	14	14	9	23	1	25	207	6	14	30	220
Valley Falls	St. Philip's Mission	A. T. Parsons	7	....	7	....	....	....	..	..	....	8	....	....	....	....
		E. M. Porter	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	..	....	3	2	....	....
		S. B. Shaw, D. D.	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	..	..	....	1	....	....	....
			587	167	754	354	355	168	523	55	197	6,388	313	550	777	6,396

*No Report.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

June, 1880.

PARISHES.	Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.								Contributions for Parish Purposes.			TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions for Colored People.	Education for the Ministry.	Widows and Orphans, etc., Fund.	Miscellaneous and Unspecified.	TOTAL.	Pew Rents, Offerings, etc., for support of Public Worship.	All other Contributions.	TOTAL.	
Ashton, St. John's	$8 12	$4 50				$5 50	$367 23	$385 35	$1,352 17		$1,352 17	$1,737 52
Barrington, St. John's	15 45	30 00	$5 46		$8 16	4 32	71 38	134 77	1,302 91	$101 48	1,404 39	1,539 16
Bristol, St. Michael's	125 00	100 00	217 03	$45 00		34 00	915 10	1,436 13	2,971 14	1,176 78	4,147 92	5,584 05
" Trinity	9 13					5 59		14 72	1,203 43	290 97	1,494 40	1,509 12
Burrillville, Calvary*						3 00	27 00	45 87	505 12	634 43	1,139 55	1,185 42
Central Falls, St. George's	15 87											
Cranston, St. Bartholomew's					10 00	3 00	51 53	80 98	500 00	100 00	600 00	680 98
Crompton, St. Philip's	8 50	3 90	4 05				527 58	711 30	2,100 21	4,742 09	6,842 30	7,553 60
East Greenwich, St. Luke's	78 13	73 74	31 58				45 00	45 00	1,090 80	285 00	1,375 80	1,420 80
East Providence, St. Mary's												
" " St. Luke's*							16 50	26 50	350 00	100 00	450 00	476 50
Greenville, St. Thomas's	10 00											
Jamestown, St. Matthew's							505 59	604 16	2,227 61	91 72	2,319 33	2,923 49
Lonsdale, Christ Church	58 57	40 00										
Manton, St. Peter's	12 00	5 00	5 00		2 00	2 00		26 00	200 00	42 00	242 00	268 00
Manville, Emmanuel	8 00	3 00				5 00	53 87	69 87	1,277 71	125 00	1,402 71	1,472 58

Newport, Emmanuel	24 98	240 00	58 14	35 00		20 77	734 99	1,113 88	2,527 79	942 02	3,469 81	4,583 60
" Trinity	119 74	400 37	74 69	71 11	322 96	90 59	6,794 42	7,873 88	8,000 00		8,000 00	15,873 88
" Zion	10 00	150 00					200 00	360 00	2,361 50	600 00	2,961 50	3,321 50
Pawtucket, St. Paul's	99 75	33 81	9 13				492 00	634 69	2,325 23	1,197 22	3,522 45	4,157 14
" Trinity	35 00	70 70	19 75	10 26		7 00	158 80	301 51	2,296 52	532 22	2,828 74	3,130 25
" Good Shepherd	15 86	11 73					21 61	49 20	387 42	875 29	1,262 71	1,311 91
Phenix, St. Andrew's	5 00	2 00			5 00		84 11	96 11	192 12	117 00	309 12	405 23
Pontiac, All Saints'	10 83	10 00	8 00			3 00	65 06	96 89	1,243 00	21 25	1,264 25	1,361 14
Portsmouth, St. Paul's	6 00					9 13	146 20	160 33	820 00	262 72	1,082 72	1,243 05
" St. Mary's	24 00	33 03	6 00			6 00	181 61	250 64	389 48	146 10	535 58	786 22
Middletown, Holy Cross												
PROVIDENCE, All Saints' Memorial	111 88	597 31	153 74	52 88	53 77	17 73	1,070 99	2,058 30	4,368 56		4,368 56	6,426 86
Christ Church	20 00	10 00	10 00		4 00	3 00	22 78	69 78	771 81	314 74	1,086 55	1,156 33
Church of the Epiphany	7 50					1 40	53 77	62 67	917 93	4,275 50	5,193 43	5,256 10
Church of the Messiah	22 56	14 17					156 45	293 18	1,400 00	153 94	1,553 94	1,847 12
Church of the Redeemer		40 00					243 65	283 65	1,355 91	294 09	1,650 00	1,933 65
Church of the Saviour	19 00					3 00	181 72	203 72	1,623 59	892 65	2,516 24	2,719 96
Grace Church	957 85	920 43	413 15		225 00	25 00	5,305 65	7,847 08	10,108 16	481 08	10,589 24	18,436 32
St. Gabriel's	4 12						76 35	80 47	1,361 51	207 58	1,569 09	1,649 56
St. James's	22 41						47 72	70 13	1,205 10		1,205 10	1,275 23
St. John's	842 94	1,470 82	1,882 31	242 13		329 11	11,896 25	17,633 56	7,220 94	2,793 37	10,014 31	27,677 87
St. Stephen's	128 37	142 80	108 50		60 00	43 29	1,361 03	1,843 99	6,690 29	2,267 88	8,958 17	10,802 16
St. Thomas's*												
South Scituate, Trinity												
Wakefield, Ascension					5 00		5 00	10 00	3,096 56	300 00	3,396 56	3,406 56
Warren, St. Mark's	109 60	28 50	26 50	10 10	18 50	13 55	432 30	639 05	1,429 09	243 71	1,672 80	2,311 85
Westerly, Christ Church	36 14	40 81	168 81	14 46		14 00	588 87	863 09	3,530 29	343 92	3,874 21	4,737 31
Wickford, St. Paul's	28 29	78 70	24 20			16 45	101 63	249 27	1,558 53	202 50	1,761 03	2,010 30
Woonsocket, St. James's	47 05	27 30	20 00			10 00	368 50	472 85	2,374 36	539 95	2,914 31	3,387 16
Valley Falls, St. Philip's	2 65							2 65	37 07		37 07	39 72
	$3,060 29	$5,582 62	$3,246 04	$480 94	$709 39	$680 43	$33,372 51	$47,132 22	$84,673 86	$25,694 20	$110,368 06	$156,500 28

* Vacant, no Report.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

1879–80.

PARISHES—

Present number in union with the Convention	41
Number not in union with the Convention	3

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS	47

MISSION STATIONS, (exclusive of those where there is an organized Parish)	6

CLERGY—

Ordained to the Diaconate	1
Ordained to the Priesthood	4
Transferred to other Dioceses	3
Received from other Dioceses	7
Present number, (Bishop, 1; Priests, 46; Deacon, 1;)	48

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, June, 1880	6

BAPTISMS*—

Infants	587	
Adults	167	—754

CONFIRMED	354

COMMUNICANTS—

Added—New	355	
" By Removal	168	—523

* The Parochial statistics, beginning with Baptisms are incomplete, several parishes having failed to present a Parochial Report.

Died	55
Removed	197
Present number	6,388
Marriages	313
Burials	550
Sunday School—	
Teachers and officers	777
Scholars	6,396

CONTRIBUTIONS

FOR MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES.

For Diocesan Missions	$3,060 29
" Domestic Missions	5,582 62
" Foreign Missions	3,246 04
" Home Missions to Colored People	480 94
" Education for the Ministry	709 39
" the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc	680 43
Miscellaneous and unspecified	33,372 51
Total Missionary and Charitable Contributions	$47,132 22

FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

Ordinary contributions for the support of Public Worship, (the usual pew rents, offerings and subscriptions for the regular maintenance of the Parish)	$84,673 86
All other contributions for Parish Purposes, (special or extraordinary, for repairs, building, or whatever is not included under the previous head)	25,694 20
Total for Parish Purposes	$110,368 06
Total for all purposes	$157,500 28

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE

ON THE

Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses.

The Board of Audit and Finance report the amount required for the Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses to be twenty-seven hundred dollars, and have made the following assessments:

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	$15 00	$5 00	$20 00
Barrington	St. John's Church	15 00	5 00	20 00
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	125 00	40 00	165 00
"	Trinity Church	25 00	9 00	34 00
Central Falls	St. George's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Ch.	5 00	3 00	8 00
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	5 00	3 00	8 00
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	55 00	18 00	73 00
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	5 00	3 00	8 00
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
Lonsdale	Christ Church	70 00	24 00	94 00
Manton	St. Peter's Church	4 00	2 00	6 00
Manville	Emmanuel Church	10 00	4 00	14 00
Newport	Emmanuel Church	35 00	12 00	47 00
"	Trinity Church	240 00	84 00	324 00
"	Zion Church	40 00	13 00	53 00
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	118 00	40 00	158 00
"	Trinity Church	50 00	16 00	66 00
Pontiac	All Saints' Chapel	10 00	4 00	14 00
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	5 00	3 00	8 00

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Ch.	$95 00	$33 00	$128 00
"	Christ Church	5 00	3 00	8 00
"	Church of the Epiphany	13 00	4 00	17 00
"	Church of the Messiah.	8 00	3 00	11 00
"	Church of the Redeemer	20 00	8 00	28 00
"	Church of the Saviour.	10 00	4 00	14 00
"	Grace Church.	280 00	98 00	378 00
"	St. Gabriel's Church	10 00	4 00	14 00
"	St. James's Church	10 00	4 00	14 00
"	St. John's Church	275 00	96 00	371 00
"	St. Stephen's Church	175 00	61 00	236 00
South Portsmouth	St. Mary's Ch. and Chapel of Holy Cross	5 00	3 00	8 00
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	10 00	4 00	14 00
Warren	St. Mark's Church	55 00	18 00	73 00
Westerly	Christ Church.	70 00	24 00	94 00
Wickford	St. Paul's Church.	45 00	15 00	60 00
Woonsocket	St James's Church	70 00	24 00	94 00
		$2,000 00	$700 00	$2,700 00

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN ARREARS.

LOCATION.	CHURCHES.	1875–6.	1876–7.	1877–8.	1878–9.	1879–80.	TOTAL.
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	$3 50	$3 50	$4 50		$4 00	$15 50
Wakefield	Church of Ascension	6 50	6 50				13 00
Newport	Zion Church				* $65 70	56 00	121 70
Pawtucket	Trinity Church			93 00		71 00	164 00
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Ch.				7 65	6 00	13 65
Crompton	St. Philip's Church				5 40	5 00	*10 40
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church.				4 05	4 00	8 05
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church				4 05		*4 05
Bristol	St. Michael's Church.					168 00	*168 00
Woonsocket	St. James's Church					89 00	89 00
							$607 35

*Since paid.

Dr. *Convention Expenses (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1879.		
June 10.	To balance from old account,	$171 23
	" paid John A. Cravatt, for services attending Convention,	10 00
Aug. 4.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary of the Convention, salary,	100 00
Oct. 21.	" paid town of Somerset, Mass., taxes on J. S. Borland estate for 1879,	29 51
	" paid Bugbee & Hall, bill of books and stationery for Treasurer,	3 75
Nov. 12.	" paid Providence Press Co., bill for printing Journals, etc.,	237 00
1880.		
June 2.	" paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, travelling expenses for 1879,	100 00
		$651 49
1880.		
June 8.	To balance due treasurer,	$124 99

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

1879.		
June 10.	By assessment June, 1877, on— Zion Church, Newport,	$12 00
July 17.	By assessment June, 1879, on— Christ Church, Providence,	2 00
	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	2 00
Aug. 13.	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	2 00
	St. George's Church, Central Falls,	2 00
14.	Trinity Church, Newport,	85 00
15.	St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	2 00
25.	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	10 00
	All Saints' Church, Pontiac,	2 00
	By assessment June, 1878, on— All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	1 80
Sept. 3.	By assessment June, 1879, on— St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	2 00
	Church of the Redeemer, Providence,	10 00
16.	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	12 00
22.	St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	2 00
Oct. 6.	Grace Church, Providence,	95 00
	St. John's Church, Providence,	95 00
10.	Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	2 00
14.	St. John's Church, Barrington,	2 00
29.	St. Mark's Church Warren,	14 00
Nov. 13.	St. James's Church, Providence,	2 00
	Trinity Church, Bristol,	2 00
1880		
Jan. 6.	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	38 00
Feb. 20.	Christ Church, Lonsdale,	14 00
23.	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	10 00
Mar. 4.	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	2 00
18.	Christ Church, Westerly,	17 00
	Church of the Saviour, Providence,	3 00
April 10.	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	28 00
May 25.	Church of the Messiah, Providence,	3 00
June 2.	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	28 00
	St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	2 00
	By assessment June, 1878, on— St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	2 70
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	18 00
5.	By assessment June, 1879, on— Emmanuel Church, Manville,	2 00
	To balance due the Treasurer,	124 99
		$651 49

JAMES M. CROSS, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *Bishop's Salary, (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1879.				1879.		
July 29.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	$1,500 00		June 10.	By balance from old account,	$635 02
					By assessment June, 1877, on—	
Oct. 1.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	500 00			Zion Church, Newport,	61 00
				July 17.	By assessment June, 1879, on—	
8.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	750 00			Christ Church, Providence,	3 00
					St. Peter's Church, Manton,	2 00
Nov. 22.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	750 00		Aug. 13.	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	3 00
					St George's Church, Central Falls,	3 00
1880.				14.	Trinity Church, Newport,	225 00
Feb. 20.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	400 00		15.	St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	10 00
				25.	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	25 00
April 20.	To paid Rt Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	350 00			By assessment June, 1878, on—	
					All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	9 45
May 11.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	1,450 00			By assessment June, 1879, on—	
					All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	8 00
	Balance to new account,	281 57		Sept. 3.	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	3 00
					Church of the Redeemer, Providence,	18 00
				16.	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	50 00
				22.	St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	2 00
				Oct. 6.	Grace Church, Providence,	310 00
					St. John's Church, Providence,	310 00
				10.	Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	3 00
				14.	St. John's Church, Barrington,	8 00
				29.	St. Mark's Church, Warren,	69 00
				Nov. 12.	By received from Trustees of Episcopal Fund,	1,050 00
				13.	By assessment June, 1879, on—	
					Trinity, Church, Bristol,	9 00
				18.	St. James's Church, Providence,	4 00
				1880.		
				Jan. 6.	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	190 00
				Feb. 20.	Christ Church, Lonsdale,	75 00
				23.	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	53 00
				Mar. 4.	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	4 00
				18.	Christ Church, Westerly,	75 00
					Church of the Saviour, Providence,	5 00
				April 10.	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	128 00
Amount carried forward,		$4,981 57		Amount carried forward,		$3,341 47

Dr. *Bishop's Salary, (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$4,981 57	
		$4,981 57	
		Amount brought forward,	$3,341 47
	May 11.	By received from Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	1,450 00
	25.	By assessment June, 1879, on—	
		Church of the Messiah, Providence,	6 00
		All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	105 00
		St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	4 00
	1880.		
	June 2.	By assessment June, 1878, on—	
		St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	5 40
		Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	65 70
	5.	By assessment June, 1879, on	
		Emmanuel Church, Manville,	4 00
			$4,981 57
	1880.		
	June 8.	By balance from old account,	$281 57

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
Board of Audit and Finance.

Dr. *The Borland Fund, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.			1879.		
Jan. 1.	To paid order of Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of income,	$40 45	June 11.	By balance of old account,	$1,408 04
May 21.	To paid order of Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of income,	40 95	Nov. 15.	By dividend of Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	20 00
June 8.	Balance to new account,	2,608 04		By dividend on deposit,	20 45
			1880.		
			May 15.	By dividend of Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	20 00
				By dividend on deposit,	20 95
				By note of Ruth Ann Davis, of Somerset, Mass., dated April 30, 1880, payable one year after date, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, secured by mortgage on real estate,	1,200 00
		$2,689 44			$2,689 44

	This Fund consists of deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	$908 04	1880.		
	5 shares in Boston and Albany Railroad Co., $100 each,	500 00	June 8.	By balance of old account,	$2,608 04
	Note of Ruth Ann Davis, payable one year from April 30, 1880, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum, secured by mortgage on real estate,	1,200 00			
		$2,608 04			

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

We have this day examined the above account, and find the same correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
Board of Audit and Finance.

Dr. *Legacy of Mary A. and Abby A. Goddard, in account with J. M. Cross, Treas. R. I. E. S. Convention.* *Cr.*

1880.			1879.		
Mar. 25.	To paid C. E. Boon, Treasurer of Board of Missions, as per vote of the Convention, passed June 12, 1878,	$61 20	June 11.	By balance of old account,	$1,020 00
June 8.	Balance to new account,	1,000 00	July 1.	By dividend on deposit,	20 40
			1880.		
			Jan. 1.	By dividend on deposit,	20 80
		$1,061 20			$1,061 20
	The Legacy consists of deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	$1,000 00	1880. June 8.	By balance to new account, deposited in Providence Institution for Savings,	$1,000 00

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Bequest of Sarah U. Goddard, in account with J. M. Cross, Treas. R. I. E. S. Convention.* *Cr.*

1879.			1879.		
Aug. 11.	To paid Rev. George J. Magill, to assist in the erection of St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown,	$100 00	June 11.	By balance from old account,	$100 00
	By balance to new account,	100 00	1880. May 7.	By received of Wm. Goddard, executor,	100 00
		$200 00			$200 00
			1880. June 8.	By balance to new account,	$100 00

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Fund for the Benefit of a Protestant Episcopal Church or Missionary Station in or near Jackson Village, R. I., in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer, Trustee.

Dr. *Cr.*

1880.		1879.	
June 8. Balance to new account,	$314 88	June 11. By balance from old account,	$302 68
		1880.	
		Jan. 1. By interest to date,	12 20
	$314 88		$314 88
This Fund consists of deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	$314 88	1880.	
		June 8. By balance to new account, deposited in Providence Institution for Savings,	$314 88

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct,

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer and Trustee.

Dr. *Legacy of Lydia Mowry, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer, R. I. E. State Convention.* *Cr.*

1879.		1879.	
Nov. 25. To paid E. O. Angell, Treas. of St. Peter's Church, Manton,	$23 50	June 11. By balance old account,	$940 00
		Oct. 31. By interest on deposit,	23 50
1880.		1880.	
May 17. To paid E. O. Angell, Treas of St. Peter's Church, Manton,	23 50	Apr. 30. By interest on deposit,	23 50
June 8. Balance to new account,	940 00		
	$987 00		$987 00
The Legacy consists of deposit in the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	$940 00	1880.	
		June 8. By balance to new account, deposited in R. I. Hospital Trust Co.,	$940 00

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.			1879.		
June 8.	To paid *Rev. C. M. Pyne*, Missionary at Valley Falls and Central Falls, July 1st, 1879, $125.00; October 1st, 1879, $125 00,	$250 00	June 10.	By balance of old account,	$324 57
	To paid *Treasurer St. George's Church, Central Falls*, January 1st, 1880, $45.00; April 1st, 1880, $45.00,	90 00	July 1.	By loan from Rev. D H. Greer,	140 00
	To paid *Rev. A. T. Parsons*, Missionary at Valley Falls and Central Falls, for March,	41 67	Oct. 1.	By net of four months' note for $650, endorsed by Rev. D. H. Greer, at Union Bank,	637 58
	To paid *Rev. C. H. Wheeler*, for expenses attending Eagle Park Mission, July 1st, 1879, $12.50; October 1st, 1879, $12.50; January 1, 1880, $12.50; April 1, 1880, $12.50,	50 00	Dec. 30.	By loan from Merchants National Bank,	500 00
	To paid *Rev. B. Eastwood*, Missionary at Pleasant View, Pawtucket, July 1st, 1879, $125.00; October 1st, 1879, $125.00; January 1, 1880, $125.00; April 1, 1880, $125.00,	500 00	1880. Jan. 26.	By net of renewal note at Union Bank, $500 at four months,	490 53
	To paid *Rev. S. H. Webb*, Missionary at South Providence and Manton, July 1st, 1879, $175.00; October 1st, 1879, $175 00; January 1, 1880, $175 00; April 1, 1880, $175.00,	700 00	Mar. 26.	By receipts from all sources, as per schedule herewith of contributions,	2,406 01
	To paid *Rev. T. H. Cocroft*, Missionary at Crompton and Phenix, July 1st, 1879, $137.50; October 1st, 1879, $137.50; January 1, 1880, $137.50; April 1, 1880, $137.50,	550 00	1879. Oct. 16.	By received from Hospital Trust Co., interest,	50
	To paid *Rev. George J. Magill*, as voted, for St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown,	100 00			
	To paid *Mr. C. H. Baggs*, Lay Reader at Greenville, July 1st, 1879, $50 00; October 1st, 1879, $50.00; January 1, 1880, $50.00; April 1, 1880, $50.00,	200 00			
	To paid *Rev. Henry Hague*, Missionary at Cumberland Hill, July 1st, 1879, $25.00; October 1, 1879, $25.00; January 1, 1880, $25.00; April 1, 1880, $25.00,	100 00			
	To paid *O. O. Wright*, Missionary at Church of the Epiphany, Elmwood, January 1st, 1880, $33.33; April 1st, 1880, $16.67,	50 00			
	Total to Missionaries,	$2,631 67			
Amount carried forward,		$2,631 79	Amount carried forward,		$4,499 19

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$2,631 79
1879.		
Oct. 28.	To paid Rev. D. H. Greer for loan, no interest,	140 00
1880.		
Jan. 5.	To paid printing letter heads,	1 25
	To expense account for four years,	13 00
26.	To R. I. National Union Bank,	650 00
May 19.	To paid note at Merchants Bank,	500 00
	To paid interest on same,	11 75
26.	To paid note at Union Bank,	500 00
June 8.	To balance to new account,	51 52
		$4,499 19

Amount brought forward,		$4,499 19
		$4,499 19
1880.		
June 5.	Balance cash on hand,	$51 52

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

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CHARLES E. BOON,
Treasurer.

CONTRIBUTORS.	1879. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1880. Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	Total.
St. John's Chapel, Ashton					$6 00							$8 12		$14 12
St. John's Church, Barrington										$15 45				15 45
St. Michael's Church, Bristol											$70 00			70 00
Trinity Church, Bristol									$9 13					9 13
St. George's Church, Central Falls			$5 00						5 30				$5 67	15 97
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston														
St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls			1 00										1 55	2 55
St. Philip's Church, Crompton	$2 50				2 00			$2 00			2 00			8 50
St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix												5 00		5 00
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich										19 41				19 41
St. Thomas's Church, Greenville					10 00									10 00
Christ Church, Lonsdale					25 71							32 86		58 57
St. Peter's Church, Manton		$3 00			3 00			3 00			3 00			12 00
Emmanuel Church, Manville											8 00			8 00
Emmanuel Church, Newport												24 98		24 98
Trinity Church, Newport	66 41				61 70									128 11
All Saints' Chapel, Newport														
Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown														
Zion Church, Newport														
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	25 00				25 00			25 00			25 00	16 48		116 48
Trinity Church, Pawtucket											35 00			35 00
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket	2 79				2 66			3 03			3 25			11 73
St. John's Chapel, Newport														
All Saints' Chapel Pontiac						$5 00								5 00
St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth												24 00		24 00
St. Paul's Church, "														
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence											19 40	60 31		79 71
Christ Church, "		5 00			5 00			5 00			5 00			20 00
Grace Church, "	110 42				130 00						400 00			640 42
St. John's Church, "								340 17			263 48			603 65
Church of the Epiphany, "	1 09			$ 90			$ 76		4 75			5 71		13 21
Church of the Messiah, "										22 56				22 56
Church of the Saviour, "											18 00			18 00
St. James's Church, "									22 41					22 41
St. Stephen's Church, "						82 00						46 37		128 37
St. Gabriel's Church, "														
St. Mary's Church, East Providence														
St. Luke's Church, " "														
St. Mark's Church, Warren						50 00				20 25				70 25
St. Mark's Sunday School, Warren								16 75						16 75
St. Mark's Church Sewing Society, Warren										4 00				4 00
St Paul's Church, Wickford					28 29									28 29
Christ Church, Westerly												36 14		36 14
St. James's Church, Woonsocket				15 00						32 05				47 05
Mary & Abby A. Goddard Fund										61 20				61 20
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield														
	$208 21	$8 00	$6 00	$15 90	$299 36	$137 00	$17 51	$378 20	$41 59	$174 92	$852 13	$259 97	$7 22	$2,406 01

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen and of Superannuated and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in Account with Charles T. Dorrance, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1879.			
June 5.	To allowances to beneficiaries, paid in quarterly installments,		
	To No. 2,	$400 00	
	To No. 3,	150 00	
	To No. 4,	400 00	
			$950 00
	To balance to new account, invested as follows:		
	In Providence Institution for Savings,	$5,866 69	
	In Rhode Island Inst. for Savings,	540 00	
	In People's Savings Bank,	3,254 53	
	In U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds, Registered,	4,000 00	
	" " 4½ " " "	4,000 00	
	In cash deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Company,	963 01	
			18,624 23
	Amount carried forward,		$19,574 23

1879.			
June 10.	By balance on hand from old account,		$18,240 27
1880.			
June 5.	By collections for year ending June 10, 1879, in Parishes, as below:		
	St. John's Church, Ashton,	$8 00	
	All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	4 00	
	St. Mark's Church, Warren, (additional),	1 00	
	Church of the Messiah, Olneyville,	2 00	
			15 00
	By collections for year ending June 5, 1880, as below:		
	Trinity Church, Newport,	$65 65	
	Church of the Epiphany, Elmwood,	1 40	
	Church of the Redeemer, Providence,	5 00	
	St. John's Church, Providence,	329 11	
	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	10 00	
	Christ Church, Westerly,	14 00	
	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	16 45	
	St. Mark's Church, Warren,	12 55	
	St. John's Church, Ashton,	5 51	
	St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	9 13	
	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	14 79	
	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	19 23	
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	7 00	
	Christ Church, Providence,	3 00	
	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	2 00	
	St. John's Church, Barrington,	4 32	
	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	43 49	
	St. George's Church, Lincoln,	3 00	
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	3 00	
	Emmanuel Church, Manville,	5 00	
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	7 90	
	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	34 00	
			615 53
	By income from invested funds:		
	From deposit in People's Savings Bank,		$126 36
	Amount carried forward,		$18,997 16

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

1879.		1880.	
Amount brought forward,	$19,574 23	Amount brought forward,	$18,997 16
		By income from invested funds:	
		From deposit in Prov. Inst. for Savings,	$227 78
		From $4,000 U. S. 4½ per cent. Bonds,	180 00
		From $4,000 " 4 per cent. Bonds,	160 00
		From cash balances in bank,	9 29
			577 07
	$19,574 23		$19,574 23

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

We have this day examined the above account and have compared the same with the vouchers and have examined the securities and find all correctly stated.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
F. E. RICHMOND,
WM. GROSVENOR,
Board of Audit and Finance.

1880.
June 5. By balance on hand, $18,624 23

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1880.

E. & O. E.

CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Treasurer.*

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., would respectfully report:

The work of the Board has proceeded quietly during the year just passed. The number of beneficiaries is at present three, (3,) who receive the allowances made them in regular quarterly payments, amounting in all to the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars, ($950), rather more than two-thirds (⅔) of the entire receipts of the Board.

The increase of the Fund during the year was, three hundred and eighty-three and ninety-six one hundredths dollars ($383.96).

Since the Treasurer's account was closed, on the fifth instant, contributions have been received from the following Parishes: St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth; Trinity Church, Bristol; Grace Church, Providence; Church of the Saviour, Providence; All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac.

It is with regret that the Board add so long a list of Parishes which have failed to contribute to the Fund, although such a contribution is made obligatory by a Canon of the Diocese.

Delinquent Parishes: Calvary Church, Burrillville; St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston; St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich; St. Luke's Church, East Providence; St. Mary's Church, East Providence; St. Thomas's Church, Greenville; St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown; Christ Church, Lonsdale; Zion Church, Newport; Church of the Messiah, Providence; St. Gabriel's Church, Providence; St. James's Church, Providence; Trinity Church, Scituate; Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

For the Board, CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

PROVIDENCE, June 8, 1880.

Dr. *The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention, in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony, and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, Regarding Principal.* *Cr.*

1880.				1879.			
June 6.	To balance to new account, consisting of United States 6s of 1881,	$1,500 00		June	By balance from old account, as stated,		$48,403 89
	Deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., on participation,	51,709 68		1880.			
	Subscription note,	750 00		June 5.	By funds received from the Committee appointed at the Convention of 1879 to secure contributions to this fund to increase it to $60,000, contributed as follows, viz.:		
	Deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	403 89			By St. John's Church, Providence,	$4,435 69	
	Providence and Worcester R. R. Bonds of 1880,	5,000 00			Grace Church, "	3,104 00	
	Deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., subject to check,	721 00			All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	436 83	
	Cash,	50 00			St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	283 75	
			$60,134 57		Church of the Saviour, "	70 00	
					Church of the Redeemer, "	50 00	
					St. James's Church, "	28 00	
					Christ Church, "	27 00	
					St. Gabriel's Church, "	24 95	
					Church of the Messiah, "	24 50	
					Church of the Epiphany, "	24 39	
					St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	281 00	
					St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	280 79	
					St. Mark's Church, Warren,	250 00	
					St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	202 00	
					St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	200 00	
					Christ Church, Lonsdale,	180 22	
					Trinity Church, Newport,	143 41	
					St. John's Church, Ashton,	127 00	
					Christ Church, Westerly,	100 00	
					St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	66 00	
					St. Mary's Church, So. Portsmouth,	40 00	
					St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	38 71	
					St. John's Church, Barrington,	30 50	
					Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	30 00	
							$10,478 74
			$60,134 57				
	Amount carried forward,		$60,134 57		Amount carried forward,		$58,882 13

Dr. *The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention, in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony, and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, Regarding Principal*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,	$60,134 57	Amount brought forward,	$58,882 63
		Zion Church, Newport,	$25 22
		Trinity Church, Bristol,	22 19
		Emmanuel Church, Newport,	20 35
		Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket,	17 30
		St. George's Church, Lincoln,	16 00
		St. Thomas's Church, Greenville,	13 00
		Emmanuel Church and St. Mary's Church, Manville,	14 00
		St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	10 00
		All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	10 50
		Ascension Church, Wakefield,	10 00
		St. John's Chapel, Newport,	10 00
		St. Peter's Church, Manton,	9 50
		St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown,	5 00
		Collection at Grace Church, Providence, at the services Dec. 6, 1879,	68 88
		George Peabody Wetmore,	1,000 00
			1,251 94
	$60,134 57		$60,134 57

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1880.

We have this day examined the above account, and have examined the securities herein named and find all correctly stated.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
Boaud of Audit and Finance.

Balance from old account, as stated, $60,134 57

E. & O. E.

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1880.

WM. GODDARD,
JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
Trustees.

Dr. *The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention, in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony, and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. Regarding Income.* *Cr.*

1879.			
Nov. 13.	To cash paid James M. Cross, Treasurer of Convention, on account,	$1,050 00	
1880.			
May 12.	To cash paid James M. Cross, Treasurer of Convention, on account,	1,450 00	
			$2,500 00
	Balance to new account,		75 92
			$2,575 92

1879.			
July 11.	By cash for coupons for 6 months' interest due 1st inst., on $1,500 United States 6s of 1881,	$45 00	
Nov. 12.	By cash for 6 months' interest to 10th inst., on $40,500, on participation account in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., 2½ per cent.,	1,012 50	
1880.			
Jan. 6.	By cash for coupons for 6 months' interest due July 1, 1879, on $5,000 Providence and Worcester R. R. 6s,	150 00	
	By cash Jan. 1, 1880, on $5,000 Providence and Worcester R. R. 6s,	150 00	
	By cash Jan. 1, 1880, on $1,500 United States 6s of 1881,	45 00	
May 10.	By cash for 6 months' interest to date on $41,000, on participation account in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., 2½ per cent.,	1,025 00	
	By cash for interest on funds in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., on account, subject to check,	87 14	
June 3.	By cash from Providence Institution for Savings, for one year's interest on deposit,	16 28	
4.	By cash from C. B. Farnsworth for one year's interest to June 1, 1881, on his note for $750,	45 00	
			$2,575 92
			$2,575 92
	By balance,		$75 92

E. & O. E.

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1880.

Examined and found correct.

G. C. NIGHTINGALE,
WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
Board of Audit and Finance.

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1880.

WM. GODDARD,
JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
Trustees.

RULES OF ORDER

AND

A STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS

OF THE

Convention of the Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

I. RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the first day of the Convention, after Divine Service, and a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention shall proceed at once to business, and shall remain in session until the business for the first day is ended.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. The members of the Convention shall sit in pews contiguous to one another—the delegates of each church occupying one pew.

4. No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

5. All special committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

6 A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

7. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall arise and with due respect address himself to the President, and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.

8. When two members chance to rise at the same time, the President shall determine to whom the preference shall be given; and all questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

9. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave.

10. No motion shall be acted upon until seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

11. When the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private conversation to the interruption of the Convention.

12. Every member who is in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question, or excused by the President.

13. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to postpone, to amend, to divide, or to commit.

14. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

15. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the minutes, when required by one-fifth of the members present.

16. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

17. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

18 All other questions shall be decided *viva voce*, or by hand vote, unless a ballot be called for by two members.

19. When any vote is taken by orders, the names of the clergy and parishes voting in the affirmative and negative respectively, shall be distinctly announced before the result is declared, and shall be entered on the minutes of the Convention.

20. In all elections by ballot, the name of each clergyman entitled to a vote shall be called: whereupon he shall deposit his vote in a receptacle in charge of tellers, who shall remain in some convenient place until all have voted. The lay vote shall be received in the same manner. The tellers shall report to the Chair the number of votes cast, the number necessary for a choice, and the number for the respective candidates. The President or Chairman shall thereupon announce the result of the ballot. This report shall be placed on file.

21. The sittings of the Convention shall be open to all persons who choose to attend, unless otherwise ordered in the Convention.

22. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning at the opening of the Convention, and, if necessary, corrected; and before the rising of the Convention, the proceedings of the session on the last day shall be read.

23. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair

24. All propositions for the adoption, amendment or repeal of Canons or of Rules of Order, or of Standing Order of Business, shall, before action thereon, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

25. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

26. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

II. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

After the organization of the Convention, as provided for by the Constitution, the following Order of Business shall be observed the first day of the session.

I. The business incident to the organization of the Convention, embracing the consideration of application of Churches and Parishes for admission into union with the Convention; Reports from special committees, appointed at a preceding session of the Convention, etc.

II. Reading of the Bishop's Address.

III. Regular Annual Reports in the following order:

1. Report of the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report of the Board of Audit and Finance.
3. Report of the Registrar.
4. Report from the Standing Committee.
5. Report from the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
6. Report from the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
7. Report from the Depository Board.
8. Report from the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.
9. Report from the Board of Missions.
10. Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

IV. Consideration of the state of the Church in the Diocese.

V. Introduction of business for reference to Special Committees.

VI. Parochial Reports.

The following Order of Business shall be observed for the second day of the Convention:

I. Reports of Committees appointed the previous day.

II. Elections:

1. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
2. Of Board of Missions.
3. Of Treasurer.
4. Of Board of Audit and Finance.
5. Of Registrar.
6. Of Standing Committee.
7. Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
8. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
9. Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
10. Board of Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.
11. Depository Board.

III. Miscellaneous.

PAROCHIAL REPORT

OF

..... CHURCH.....

THE REV ..... RECTOR.

BAPTISMS—INFANTS, ; ADULTS, ; TOTAL, . CONFIRMED, .

COMMUNICANTS—ADDED, NEW, ; BY REMOVAL, ;

TOTAL ADDED, . DIED, . REMOVED, ; PRESENT NUMBER, .

MARRIAGES, BURIALS,

SUNDAY SCHOOL—TEACHERS AND OFFICERS, . SCHOLARS, .

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, - - - - .....

For Domestic Missions, - - - .....

For Foreign Missions, - - - - .....

For Home Missions to Colored People, - - .....

For Education for the Ministry, - - - .....

For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., ...

For .....

For .....

For all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, - - - - - .....

Total, - - - - - - .....

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions, for the support of Public Worship, - - - - .....

All other Contributions, - - - .....

Total for Parish Purposes, - - - - .....

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

At a Parish meeting of..... Church.....regularly called in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of the Parish, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3.....

4.....

were chosen Delegates to represent said Parish in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, to be held on the second Tuesday in June, 188 .

At the same meeting, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3.....

4.....

were chosen substitutes.

Attest,

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} WARDENS.

.....CLERK.

☞ This form, when filled up, must be signed by the Church Wardens or Parish Clerk. A copy must be forwarded to the Secretary, another presented at the Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

HELD IN

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,

Tuesday, 14th, and Wednesday, 15th, June, 1881.

PROVIDENCE:
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OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE.

1881.

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION, *ex-officio*,

THE RT. REV. THOMAS MARCH CLARK, D. D., LL. D.,
Bishop of the Diocese.

SECRETARY AND REGISTRAR:

REV. SAMUEL H. WEBB.

TREASURER:

MR. JAMES M. CROSS.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

Clerical.	Lay.
REV. DAVID H. GREER,	MR. J. H. STINESS,
" C. A. L. RICHARDS,	" T. P. I. GODDARD,
" DANIEL HENSHAW,	" AUGUSTUS HOPPIN,
" GEORGE J. MAGILL.	" WM. W. BLODGETT.

Supplementary.

REV. E. H. PORTER.	MR. JOHN H. COZZENS,
" R. B. PEET,	" C. B. FARNSWORTH,
" W. P. TUCKER.	" J. C. BURRINGTON,
	" R. M. SHERMAN.

BOARD OF MISSIONS:

THE BISHOP, CHAIRMAN, *ex-officio*.

Elected, 1880.	*Elected*, 1881.
REV. W. N. ACKLEY,	REV. D. H. GREER,
" C. A. L. RICHARDS,	" E. H. PORTER,
MR. G. L COOKE,	" J W. COLWELL,
" C. E. BOON,	MR. R. H. I. GODDARD,
" WM. GROSVENOR.	" J. C. BURRINGTON.

TREASURER OF THE BOARD:

MR. C. E. BOON.*

* Providence, Box 191.

BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE:

MR. F. E. RICHMOND, term of office expires 1882.
MR. C. B. FARNSWORTH, term of office expires 1883.
MR. WILLIAM AMES, term of office expires 1884.

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Clerical.	Lay.
REV. DANIEL HENSHAW,	MR. E. A. GREENE,
" D. H. GREER,	" GEORGE L. COOKE,
" C. A. L. RICHARDS,	" W. W. BLODGETT,
" GEORGE J MAGILL.	" T. P. I. GODDARD.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND:

MR. CHARLES MORRIS SMITH, term of office expires 1882.
" WILLIAM GODDARD, term of office expires 1883.
" JOHN B. ANTHONY, term of office expires 1884.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

REV. DANIEL HENSHAW,	REV. GEORGE J. MAGILL.
" J. W. COLWELL,	" W. F. B. JACKSON.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

THE BISHOP, CHAIRMAN, *ex-officio.*

MR. H. T. BECKWITH,	MR. E. D. BASSETT.
" J. L. PEIRCE.	" E. A. GREENE.

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, ETC.:

THE BISHOP, CHAIRMAN, *ex-officio.*

MR. M. B. I. GODDARD,	MR. C. T. DORRANCE,*
" EDWARD A. GREENE.	" S. C. BLODGET.

DEPOSITORY BOARD:

THE BISHOP, CHAIRMAN, *ex-officio.*

REV. E. H. PORTER,	MR. S. C. BLODGET,
" D. H. GREER.	" J. H. DEWOLF.

ECCLESIASTICAL COURT:

REV. E. H. PORTER, REV. D. G. RICE,
REV. H. C. CUNNINGHAM.

LEGAL ADVISER OF THE COURT:

MR. W. W. BLODGETT.

* Treasurer, Providence, Box 812.

LIST OF PARISHES

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

WITH THE DATE OF THEIR ORGANIZATION.

1881.

	A. D.	Date of Organization.
Trinity Church, Newport	1698	First.
St. Paul's Church, Wickford	1707	Second.
St. Michael's Church, Bristol	1719	Third.
St. John's Church, Providence	1722	Fourth.
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	1816	Fifth.
Grace Church, Providence	1829	Sixth.
St. Mark's Church, Warren	1829	Seventh.
St. James's Church, Woonsocket	1832	Eighth.
Zion Church, Newport	1833	Ninth.
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich	1833	Tenth.
Christ Church, Lonsdale	1834	Eleventh.
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth	1834	Twelfth.
Christ Church, Westerly	1834	Thirteenth.
Emmanuel Church, Manville	1835	Fourteenth.
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown	1837	Fifteenth.
St. Stephen's Church, Providence	1839	Sixteenth.
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield	1839	Seventeenth.
St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth	1843	Eighteenth.
St. Philip's Church, Crompton	1845	Nineteenth.
Trinity Church, Pawtucket	1845	Twentieth.
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence	1847	Twenty-first.
St. Peter's Church, Manton	1847	Twenty-second.

	A. D.	Date of Organization.
St. Thomas's Church, Greenville	1851	Twenty-third.
Emmanuel Church, Newport	1852	Twenty-fourth.
Church of the Messiah, Providence	1856	Twenty-fifth.
St. John's Church, Barrington	1859	Twenty-sixth.
Church of the Redeemer, Providence	1860	Twenty-seventh.
Church of the Saviour, Providence	1863	Twenth-eighth.
Christ Church, Providence	1865	Twenty-ninth.
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston	1866	Thirtieth.
St. John's Chapel, Ashton	1868	Thirty-first.
St. James's Church, Providence	1869	Thirty-second.
All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac	1869	Thirty-third.
St. Mary's Church, East Providence	1871	Thirty-fourth.
St. Gabriel's Church, Providence	1871	Thirty-fifth.
St. George's Church, Central Falls	1874	Thirty-sixth.
Trinity Church, Bristol	1875	Thirty-seventh.
Church of the Epiphany, Providence	1875	Thirty-eighth.
St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier		Thirty-ninth.

A LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

JUNE, 1881.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, Residing in Providence.

Rev. William N. Ackley, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren.

Rev. William W. Ayres, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. A. B. Carver, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

Rev. Clarence W. Colton, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

Rev. Benjamin H. Chase, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Rev. William M. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, Barrington; Post Office, Barrington Centre.

Rev. William S. Child, S. T. D., Residing in Newport.

Rev. Thomas H. Cocroft, Missionary in charge of St. Phillip's Church, Crompton, and St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix.

Rev. James W. Colwell, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Rev. H. C. Cunningham, Rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Rev. Benjamin Eastwood, Missionary in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

Rev. David H. Greer, Rector of Grace Church, Providence.

Rev. Henry Hague, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw, Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

Rev. J. C. Hewlett, Rector of the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Rev. W. F. B. Jackson, Rector of St. James's Church, Providence.

Rev. E. H. Kettell, Rector of Zion Church, Newport.

Rev. Daniel Leach, D. D., Superintendent of Public Schools, Providence.

Rev. J. E. Lindholm, Rector of All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac.

Rev. George L. Locke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Rev. George J. Magill, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. William I. Magill, Missionary in charge of St. Thomas's Church, Greenville, and St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Rev. Charles H. Malcolm, D. D.

Rev. Alexander G. Mercer, D. D., Minister of All Saints' Chapel, Newport.

Rev. Joseph L. Miller, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Rev. Robert Murray, Jr., Rector of St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

Rev. D. I. Odell, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Watchemoket.

Rev. Arthur T. Parsons, Missionary in charge of St. George's Church, Central Falls, and St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls.

Rev. R. B. Peet, Rector of Emanuel Church, Newport.

Rev. Emery Huntington Porter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Delancy G. Rice, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

Rev. Charles A. L. Richards, Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.

Rev. S. Brenton Shaw, D. D., Providence.

Rev. William P. Tucker, Rector of Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Samuel P. Watters, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. Samuel H. Webb, Rector of Christ Church, Providence.

Rev. Francis Wharton, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. Charles H. Wheeler, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

Rev. Clement J. Whipple.

Rev. Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and of the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

Rev. Otis O. Wright, Providence.

JOURNAL

OF THE

Proceedings of the Convention.

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,
Tuesday, June 14, 1881.

The Ninety-first Annual Session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, assembled for Divine Service in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. W. W. AYRES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford, the Rev. J. W. COLWELL, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence, and the Rev. ROBERT MURRAY, JR., Rector of St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

The Communion Office was begun by the Bishop, the Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW, Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, reading the Epistle.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. W. N. ACKLEY, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren, from 1st Corinthians, ix, 22: "*I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.*"

The Bishop was assisted in the Communion Office and in the administration by the Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW.

After a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rules of Order were read by the Secretary; the Roll was then called as follows:

LIST OF CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS AND A VOTE.

Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. William N. Ackley,
" William W. Ayres,
" *Samuel G. Babcock*,*
" *A. B. Carver*,
" William M. Chapin,
" Clarence W. Colton,
" Benjamin H. Chase,
" *Wm. S. Child, S. T. D.*,
" Thomas H. Cocroft,
" James W. Colwell,
" H. C. Cunningham,
" Benjamin Eastwood,
" Daniel Goodwin,
" *David H. Greer*,
" Henry Hague,
" Daniel Henshaw,
" John C. Hewlett,
" W. F. B. Jackson,
" Edward H. Kettell,
" Daniel Leach, D. D.,
Rev. J. E. Lindholm,
" George L. Locke,
" George J. Magill,
" William I. Magill,
" *A. G. Mercer, D. D.*,
" Joseph L. Miller,
" Robert Murray, Jr.,
" Daniel I. Odell,
" *Robert B. Peet*,
" Arthur T. Parsons,
" Emery H. Porter.
" Delancey G. Rice,
" Charles A. L. Richards,
" Samuel B. Shaw, D. D.,
" William P. Tucker,
" Samuel H. Webb,
" Francis Wharton, D. D. LL. D.,
" *Charles H. Wheeler*,
" *Hobart Williams*.

ENTITLED TO SEATS BUT NOT TO A VOTE.

Rev. C. H. Malcolm, D. D., Rev. Otis Olney Wright,
" Samuel Paxson Watters, " *Clement J. Whipple*.

* Those whose names are in italics were not present.

LAY DELEGATES AND SUBSTITUTES.

PROVIDENCE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Jacob H. Martin,	*Samuel G. Trippe*,
John W. Vernon,	D. L. D. Granger,
M. B. I. Goddard,	*T. P. I. Goddard*,
Oren Westcott.	J. H. DeWolf.

Grace Church, Providence.

William Grosvenor,	Samuel J. Ladd,
Charles Morris Smith,	*John W. Angell*,
Edward A. Greene,	*Peleg J. Congdon*,
Stephen Brownell.	*Joseph H. Fanning.*

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Resolved Waterman,	Freeborn Coggeshall,
Lyman Klapp,	*Edward H. Cutler*,
William Ames,	*Charles C. Nichols*,
R. M. Sherman.	John H. Ormsbee.

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

B. Frank Pabodie,	*Carlos Nudd*,
George C. Nightingale, Jr.,	*Gilbert H. Hagan*,
James Tiffany,	*Frank S. Lincoln*,
Louis T. Foster.	Charles H. Henshaw.

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

George W. Barker,	*P. T. Robinson*,
Charles E. Boon,	*H. Barlow*,
George B. Hall,	*G. A. Beane*,
J. R. Wood.	*Joseph Richards.*

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

George D. Briggs,	*John B. Wheeler*,
Elisha C. Mowry,	*Samuel T. Sparks*,
John H. Stiness,	*George W. Myers*,
Charles B. Manchester.	*R. R. Brown.*

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Waterman Stone,	*James H. Mumford*,
A. W. Matthewson,	*Zachariah Chafee, Jr.*,
James M. Cross,	*George B. Rawson*,
Daniel W. Brown.	John R. Allen.

Christ Church, Providence.

C. Henry Barney,	M. E. Boyden,
W. J. Crossley,	*Henry Midwood*,
G. W. Dickinson,	*S. A. Bliss*,
Henry Hirons.	*Lewis Boyden*.

St. James's Church, Providence.

Amos M. Bowen,	Eugene P. King,
Frank E. Richmond,	*Jonas Auty*,
Ebenezer Nichols,	*George Carouthers*,
Christopher Blanding.	*D. T. Colwell*.

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

Charles H. Hemenway,	*Henry T. Beckwith*,
Samuel B. Hobson,	*Andrew Glover*,
David B. Chambers,	*George M. Daniels*,
James Martin.	*Herbert M. Tanner*.

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

A. O. Bourn,	*Albert D. Lippitt*,
William Halton,	*Malcolm Troop*,
Edward D. Bassett,	*Robert H. Hopkins*,
George H. Lincoln.	*George Kirkland*.

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

William W. Blodgett,	George E. Bamford,
James O. Starkweather,	*Charles W. Allen*,
Henry A. Pierce,	*Alfred H. Cheetham*,
Joseph T. Greene.	*Thomas R. Dix*.

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
C. B. Farnsworth,	*Alvin C. Cash*,
S. G. Brayman,	*Charles E. Richardson*,
William Warburton,	*Frederick W. Warburton*,
Henry N. Wilkinson.	*Henry L. Dana*.

St. George's Church, Lincoln.

Joseph Harrop,	John Harrop,
James M. Davis,	*John P. Briden*,
Frederick Haywood,	*William Wood*,
John Blount.	*Charles H. Anthony*.

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

George Kilburn,	George A. Kent,
Baylies Bourne,	*Addison Kinsman*,
Samuel D. Learned,	*Edwin Matthews*,
H. E. Wright.	*William Pollitt*.

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

George Sparhawk,	James Williamson,
James Geldard,	*R. H. I. Goddard*,
Andrew Crumley,	*Thomas Simpson*,
Wm. H. Beebe.	John Mills.

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Russell Handy,	*Wm. Waterman*,
Frederic M. Ballou,	*Nathaniel B. Kerr*,
Rufus L. Pierce,	*Cyrus Cook*,
George A. Clarke.	William Bates.

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Lyman A. Cook,	*R. K. Randolph*,
Ariel Ballou,	*George H. Miller*,
Henry Andrews,	*Waldo Wales*,
Frank L. Carter.	*Harden Knight*.

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
William Clegg,	*Frederic Suffa*,
Joseph Estes,	*Benjamin Bamforth*,
George Suffa,	*James Stott*,
Daniel W. Latham.	*Nathan Estes.*

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Elisha O. Angell,	*James Millar*,
William W. Wright,	*Horace A. Hunt.*
John C. Budlong,	
George A. Manchester.	

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

Alfred Smith,	*Sidney Smith*,
Fred Cowperthwaite,	*John Merlees*,
Harry Burrows,	*Squire Greyson*,
John W. Bristow.	*David U. Hagan.*

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

R. W. Adams,	*Cornelius Beard*,
E. L. Dillon,	*Charles Blackmar.*
George Fuller,	
William Taylor.	

BRISTOL COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Barrington.

J. C. Burrington,	*John F. Maxfield*,
E. L. Walcott,	*John J. Jenckes*,
Henry Staples,	*George Church*,
Benjamin B. Wood.	Daniel H. Wood.

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

George Lewis Cooke,	*William R. Haile*,
Luther Cole,	*Alfred B. Gardiner*,
Lawton I. Ware,	*George Wheaton*,
Daniel L. Turner.	*Charles A. Hoar.*

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Robert S. Andrews,	*Frederick F. Gladding*,
Theodore P. Bogert,	Thomas J. Usher,
Edward S. Babbitt,	John H. Pitman,
George H. Pearce.	*Robert Teirman.*

Trinity Church, Bristol.

H. Frank Munroe,	*J. H. H. Mott*,
J. P. Reynolds,	*Henry V. Card*,
Charles V. Perry,	*Arthur B. Corthell*,
William R. Trotter.	*James H. Corthell.*

NEWPORT COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Newport.

John H. Cozzens,	*Samuel Engs*,
John S. Deblois,	*William H. Ashurst*,
William Cornell,	*William G. Seabury*,
Walter L. Kane.	*Job T. Langley.*

Zion Church, Newport.

James A. Brown,	*James Pierson*,
Freeborn S. Waite,	*A. Judson Smith*,
Ernest Goffe,	*Thomas A. Spencer*,
Alfred Barker.	*C. L. F. Atkinson.*

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

William P. Clark,	*William Marvel*,
A. D. Browne,	*Edward Taylor*,
William H. Beehler,	*Peter Smith*,
John M. Taylor.	*Henry Weston.*

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Benjamin Greene,	*George B. Anthony*,
H. H. Burrington,	*Edward F. Anthony*,
Thomas Holman,	*Benjamin S. Anthony*,
Thomas L. Mitchell.	*Seth Anthony.*

St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Albert L. Chase,	*Restcom P. Manchester*,
James R. Chase,	*Herbert Chase*,
John B. Gould,	*William P. Manchester*,
William Henry Gifford.	*Peleg T. Coggeshall.*

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

No delegates reported.

KENT COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

William Goddard,	Daniel A. Peirce,
Alfred A. Reed,	*Stukely B. Wickes*,
W. Maxwell Greene,	*Richard Thornley*,
Benjamin R. Vaughan.	*Edward Taylor.*

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

Benjamin F. Waterhouse,	*William Houston*,
John Hayward,	H. A. Waterhouse,
John Lord.	*George Haddock.*

All Saint's Chapel, Pontiac.

James Hough,	*James Walworth*,
Stephen N. Bourne,	*James Dow*,
William Just,	*D. O. King*,
John Pollard.	E. P. Robinson.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

James A. Greene,	*John P. Olney*,
A. M. Thomas,	*William Gregory*,
Gideon Freeborn,	*C. F. Wightman*,
C. A. Chadsey.	*Charles Allen.*

Christ Church, Westerly.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Edwin Babcock,	*R. F. Latimer*,
Samuel H. Cross,	*O. P. Brown*,
William Hoxsey,	*David Smith*,
J. L. Moss, Jr.	*Nicholas Cranshaw.*

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

George G. Pearse,
George Knowles.

St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.*

Esborn S. Taylor, Jr.,	*William C. Gardiner*,
John H. Caswell,	*James Waters.*
Freeman P. W. Tifft,	
Elisha W. Browning.	

The President then declared the Convention to be duly organized.

On motion,

Resolved, That clergymen from other Dioceses and Candidates for Holy Orders be invited to honorary seats in the Convention.

Mr. Alva E. Carpenter, a candidate for Holy Orders, responded, and took his seat in the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for the election of Secretary, the Rev. Samuel H. Webb was unanimously re-elected, and with the consent of the Convention, appointed the Rev. A. T. Parsons his assistant.

The following committees were then appointed by the President:

*This Parish was admitted into union with the Convention at its present session.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	Mr. Waterman Stone,
" J. L. Miller.	" Henry Staples.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

Rev. Geo. L. Locke,	Mr. Wm. Grosvenor,
" J. W. Colwell.	" E. D. Bassett.

ON CANONS.

Rev. C. A. L. Richards,	Mr. C. B. Farnsworth,
" Daniel Henshaw.	" George L. Cooke.

Application was made by St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier, for admission into union with the Convention. The petition was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

The Chairman of the Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the whole subject of the Constitution and Canons, at the Convention of last year, made report, that they had made a draft of the same, and asked leave to present that portion relating to the Constitution. Leave being granted, it was read, and, on motion, was made the order of the day for this afternoon, immediately after the close of the regular business of the Convention.

On motion, resolved that the Convention take a recess till 2 o'clock.

At the close of the recess, the Convention was again called to order.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

After the reading of the Address, the Bishop called for the reading of a communication from the Secretary of the General Convention relating to the Liturgy. It was read, and on motion was referred to a committee of five, to report to the next Convention. The Bishop appointed as the Committee:

Rev. Francis Wharton, D. D., LL. D.,
" H. C. Cunningham,
" Daniel Goodwin.
Mr. J. H. Cozzens,
" Charles Morris Smith.

A communication from the chairman of the Committee on Expenses, appointed by the last General Convention, was then read, which, on motion, was referred to a special committee to report to the next Convention.

The Bishop appointed as the Committee:

Mr. C. E. Boon,
" J. W. Vernon,
" J. C. Burrington.
Rev. E. H. Porter,
" J. W. Colwell.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the work of the "Woman's Auxiliary," be referred to a Committee to report to-morrow.

The Bishop appointed as the Committee:

Rev. Daniel Henshaw,
" T. H. Cocroft.
Mr. W. Maxwell Greene.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the death of the Rev. Emery M. Porter, the Rev. James H. Carpenter, and the Rev. Darius R. Brewer, be referred to a Committee to report to-morrow.

The Chairman appointed as said Committee:

Rev. W. P. TUCKER, Mr. Edwin Babcock.
" J. L. MILLER.

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as pertains to the subject of the "Church Temperance Society," be referred to a Committee to report to-morrow.

The following were appointed as the Committee:

Rev. W. N. ACKLEY, Mr. Lyman Klapp,
" W. W. AYRES, " J. O. Starkweather.
" H. C. CUNNINGHAM.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, made report as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, begs leave to report with reference to the application of St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier, that they have had before them a certificate signed by two members of the vestry, to the effect that the parish has been duly organized, and has acceded to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. Although the evidence is not strictly regular, yet in what are understood to be the peculiar circumstances of the case, your Committee recommend the admission of the parish, and offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the parish of St. Peter's, Narragansett Pier, be and is hereby admitted to union with this Convention.

G. L. LOCKE, *Chairman Committee.*

On motion, the report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The names of delegates from said parish were then called,

and Messrs. Esborn S. Taylor, Jr., and John H. Caswell responded, and took seats in the Convention.

The Treasurer of the Convention then read his report, which, on motion, was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Board of Audit and Finance then made report on the Parish Assessments. (See Appendix.)

On motion, this report was laid upon the table, to be taken up at the pleasure of the Convention.

The same Committee made further report in relation to the indebtedness of parishes, which, on motion, was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Registrar then read his report, and, on motion, it was received and ordered to be printed.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The Registrar respectfully reports that during the past year he has received the Journals of Convention from nearly all Dioceses and Home Missionary Jurisdictions in the United States. From Bishop Clark he has received a large number of Journals and Pamphlets. These have enabled him to do something towards completing files of New England Diocesan Journals. Of Maine, none are wanting. Of New Hampshire, all are needed prior to 1844, except 1842. Of Vermont, there are lacking 1833, 1838, 1839, 1854. Of Massachusetts, only 1833 and 1839. By comparing this statement with that made to the Convention last year, it will be seen that some progress has been made. There are needed to complete a file of the Convention Journals of Connecticut, 1825, 1826, 1827, 1831, 1832, 1836, 1837, 1838, 1839. It is very difficult to get early Journals of the Conventions of any Eastern State, and without the means to purchase, the Registrar is unable to do much in the way of adding to the several sets now in his keeping. If there were placed at his disposal a small sum with which the opportunity to secure valuable journals might be improved, the

files of New England Journals could probably be completed. The Registrar desires to express his thanks to the Bishop, and to the following named persons who have enabled him by their donations to add directly or by exchange to the collection belonging to the Diocese.

Revs. L. C. Manchester, Hobart Williams, A. T Parsons, E H. Porter, B. H. Chase, Samuel Hart, B. B. Babbitt. W. P. Tucker, G. L. Locke, Lucius Waterman, E. A. Dalrymple, S. T. D , and A. C. Stillson.

Mr. H. C. Dorr. Mrs. Paine and Mrs. Rodman, and Mr. C. E. Webb, have also rendered assistance. In all there are in the archives seventeen more of the Journals of the Eastern States than a year ago, beside those for 1880. I would again call the attention of the Convention to the fact that more room is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. WEBB, *Registrar.*

Providence, June 14, 1881.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Registrar be and hereby is authorized to remove the documents belonging to the archives of the Diocese, to the rooms of the Woman's Auxiliary, in Wayland Building, in Providence, to provide such shelves and cases for the same as may be needed, and to draw upon the Treasurer for the expense thereof; said expense not to exceed fifty dollars.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to the Woman's Auxiliary for their kind offer to accommodate the Convention with a suitable place for the safe and convenient keeping of the archives.

The report of the Standing Committee was read, and, on motion, it was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee met at St. John's Rectory in the city of Providence, November 27th, 1880, and was organized by the election of the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, President, and the Rev. David H. Greer, Secretary.

William Ramsey Miller has been recommended to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders, and Otis Olney Wright has been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate.

The Committee has adopted the following rule, that hereafter all applications for candidateship and ordination shall lie over at least one week

from the time of their introduction, unless unanimous consent be given to immediate action upon them.

Acting under the provisions of Article VII of the Constitution, the Committee has revised the list of parishes purporting to be in union with the Convention, and has transmitted the same to the Secretary of the Convention.

A petition has been received from the Wardens of Zion Church, Newport, alleging that the conditions under which permission was given to All Saints' Church, Newport, to become a separate and distinct parish, have not been complied with, and praying that the permission be withdrawn. The Committee has taken action looking to the amicable adjustment of the differences existing.

Hezekiah Usher Monroe, a candidate for Holy Orders in this Diocese, has been recommended to the Bishop for admission to Deacon's Orders.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed), D. H. GREER, *Secretary.*

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund then made report. On motion, it was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The report of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was then presented, accompanied by a resolution. Action thereon was deferred until after the consideration of the report of the Board of Audit and Finance.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

The Board at its first meeting since the last annual Convention, organized by the election of Mr. Edward D. Bassett as Secretary and Treasurer.

During the month of February last, application was made by the authorities of the Church of the Saviour to the Board to pay the sewer assessment that had been made by the city of Providence, upon the land owned by the Convention, upon which the church edifice used by this parish is situated. The Board having no funds under its control, to prevent a sale of this estate under the levy made by the city, requested the Treasurer of the Convention to pay the amount of this assessment from any funds in his hands. The Treasurer, acting upon this request, paid the amount of $128.38 in liquidation of this claim.

As the estates owned by the Convention and placed under the charge of this Board are constantly increasing, it would seem wise that some step should soon be taken towards raising the fund contemplated by the canon towards defraying the expenses naturally incident to the proper care of real estate. As a rule the Board will expect the various parishes to whom the use of church buildings is given, to pay all these expenses. But as in the majority of cases these parishes are so feeble as to constantly require assistance outside of their own members for their very existence, they are rarely able to do anything towards paying them. Under these circumstances, there would seem to be no alternative than for the Convention to provide some means by which they can be paid.

The matter of insurance is an illustration of these expenses. Convention has to pay the premiums upon most of the policies upon the buildings in the custody of the Board, as the various parishes have not the means to meet even this necessary expenditure. Until, however, some means are taken to raise a fund to meet this class of expenses, Convention will have to pay them. As some question has been raised as to the right of the Treasurer to make these payments, and as the Board are liable at any time to be called upon to make payments for some purpose absolutely necessary for the care or preservation of the property under its control, the Board respectfully ask authority from the Convention to draw upon the Treasurer of the Convention for such sum, over and above any income in the hands of the Board available, as will pay all necessary expenses incurred by it in the care and custody of the estates committed to its charge, and for that purpose herewith submit for adoption a resolution drawn to give this authority to the Treasurer.

The Board, during the last year, has sold the lots upon the Almy Plat, north of Broadway, for the sum of $150, agreeably to resolution passed at the Convention of 1876, and found upon page 23 of its printed Journal, and have invested the same in accordance with a resolution passed at the same time.

This land as originally platted fronted upon Potter's (now Harris) avenue, in the city of Providence, but the location of the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company cut off the entire front upon that street, thus placing the railroad track between them and the street. Subsequently Eiswald street was laid out to the east of this land, but more than fifteen feet from the easterly line of it, thus leaving the land with the railroad on one side, and land owned by other parties on the other three sides. Owing to this want of frontage upon any street, the Board found great difficulty in obtaining a purchaser, but finally succeeded in disposing of it to the owner of the adjoining land at a price which, under the circumstances, was fully as advantageous as could have been expected. The

amount realized from this sale will, it is hoped, prove a nucleus for the fund for the care of the property that has just been referred to, and additions may be made to it from time to time from the sale of other lands which change of circumstances has rendered useless for church purposes.

At a meeting held June 6, 1881, the following vote was passed by the Board, and the Secretary was requested to insert the same in his report to the Convention, that the attention of all interested might be called to it:

Resolved, That the several parishes or individuals to whom the use of church buildings or rectories owned by Convention shall be given by this Board, are hereby requested to make an annual report in the month of May to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, of the condition of the respective buildings entrusted to them, and of the amount of insurance upon the same, and to whom payable.

The property in the care of the Board is as follows:

Burrillville, Calvary Church, with the land, insurance.....	$1,500 00
Cumberland, St. Mary's Chapel, with the land, insurance.....	1,500 00
East Providence, St. Mary's Church, with the land, insurance..	3,000 00
Jamestown, St. Matthew's Church, with the land, insurance...	3,000 00
Johnston, St. Peter's Church, Manton, with the land, insurance.	5,000 00
Providence, Church of the Saviour, with the land, insurance...	3,000 00
" St. Thomas's Church, with the land, insurance....	800 00
Pawtucket, Church of the Good Shepherd, with land, insurance.	4,500 00
On this church there still rests a mortgage of $1,340.	
Scituate, Trinity Church, South Scituate, with land and cemetery lot adjoining; insurance.....	
Warwick, St. Philip's Church, Crompton, with land, and rectory with land; insurance on both buildings.....	2,300 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the Board,

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Secretary.*

Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes in account with E. D. Bassett, Treasurer.

Dr.

1881.		
June 7.	Balance to new account.....	$150 00
	Invested in Peoples' Savings Bank, Providence, $150.	

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1881.

June 7. By cash from sale of land described in vote of Convention as "lots on Potter's avenue"..... $150 00

$150 00

June 7. Balance to new account this day..... $150 00

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Providence, June 7th, 1881.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be and is hereby authorized to pay from and out of any funds in his hands available for that purpose. such claims as the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes have incurred or shall approve, in reference to the care and preservation of any lands or buildings in its custody and control.

The report of the Depository Board was read, received, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE DEPOSITORY BOARD.

The revenue from the Depository Stock for the year ending the 1st instant, has been $37.48. The Convention offertory in June, 1880, was $24.24, together amounting to $61.72.

The orders upon the Depository for Prayer Books and Hymnals during the year have been $77.68.

The balance on hand June 2, 1880, was.....	$25 66	
" Convention offertory received June 16, 1880, was...	24 24	
		$49 90
Paid Rev. E. M. Porter, June 16, 1880.....	$11 20	
" N. Bangs Williams & Co., Agents, May 14, 1881....	29 00	
		40 20
Balance on hand, June 1, 1881.....		$9 70

Respectfully submitted for the Board,

S. C. BLODGET.

June 11, 1881.

Examined and found correct.

For Board of Audit and Finance,

F. E. RICHMOND.

Providence, June 13th, 1881.

The report of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was then read, and, on motion, was recommitted for verbal correction. (See Appendix.)

The report of the Board of Missions was then read, received, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The annual meeting of the Board of Missions was held June 15, 1880. E. H. Porter was elected Secretary, and C. E. Boon, Treasurer. At the December meeting, as usual, the missionary stations were determined upon for the year beginning April 1, 1881, and the Bishop appointed the missionaries in charge.

The following is the list of missionaries, stations, and stipends:

St George's, Lincoln, Rev. A. T. Parsons, on condition of		$450....	$350
St. Philip's, Valley Falls, Rev. A. T. Parsons,	"	100....	100
Christ, S. Providence, Rev. S. H. Webb,	"	600 ...	400
St. Thomas's, Greenville, Rev. W. I. Magill,	"	400 ...	200
St. Peter's, Manton, Rev. W. I. Magill,	"	200....	200
St. Philip's, Crompton, Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	"	500....	300
St. Andrew's, Phenix, Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	"	200....	100
Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, Rev. B. Eastwood,	"	650....	350
Epiphany, Elmwood, Rev. J. M. C. Fulton			150
St. James's, Providence, Rev. W. F. B. Jackson.....			150
St. Bartholomew's Cranston, Rev. C. W. Colton.....			100
Total...			$2,400

The stipends paid by the Board have been reduced in most cases, while the amount required from the stations has been correspondingly increased. This has been necessary because of the diminished receipts of the Board compared with previous years, and also in consequence of the well-known policy of the Board to reduce its payments in order that the stations may become independent as soon as possible.

The salaries of the missionaries are not thereby reduced, unless some station fails to meet its part of the requirement.

The general missionary work of the Diocese has shown an unusual degree of prosperity during the past year. There have been no changes in appointments. The Church property is in better condition, debts have been diminished, and an increased interest has been manifested in the attendance upon the services. These signs of renewed life are very gratifying.

Among the special items of interest are these:

LINCOLN. The debt upon the church building has been reduced another thousand dollars, and is now $3,600.

CROMPTON. St. Philip's Church is to be enlarged the present season. A new Church would be better, but increased accommodations are very necessary.

PHENIX. Ground has been given for a Chapel, if one can be built within a limited time.

GREENVILLE AND MANTON. A resident missionary has brought the work in these places into a very favorable condition for future growth.

PLEASANT VIEW. The debt upon the church has been reduced to $1,340, but the reduction in the stipend from the Board cannot be made good by the parish by any increased offerings for the support of the missionary.

SOUTH PROVIDENCE. The demand is still for a new church. There is now no debt upon the present one.

The other stations are well worked, and require no special mention.

There are no new stations before the Board for adoption. We only ask now for $2,400 per annum, just to sustain the work in hand on the present basis. For a long time during the year the Board has been in arrears. We report to-day a deficit of $244 to meet the payments due July 1. During the last three months the parochial offerings have been gratifying, but before that it seemed at any time as if the work of the Board would have to cease. There have been some sources of supply during the year which cannot be relied upon for the future. Our own missions ought to be sustained first of all. They have the chief claim upon our charities. The amount necessary is a small one, compared with the wealth of the Diocese, and the large offerings for objects outside of it. We ask for a better appreciation of the missionary work.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. PORTER, *Secretary.*

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was then read, and, on motion, it was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

The Parochial Reports were then presented to the Bishop.

It was then voted that the Report of the Committee on the revision of the Constitution and Canons be made the order of the day to-morrow immediately after the elections.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, the parish known as the Church of the Saviour, in Providence, are hereby requested to repay to the Treasurer of the Convention the sum paid by him to the city of Providence for sewer assessments upon the property occupied by said parish. said payment having been made by him upon the request of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at half-past nine to-morrow morning for Divine service in the Church.

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH,
Wednesday, June 15, 1881.

The Convention met for Divine Service in the Church at 9½ o'clock, A. M.

The Litany was said by the Rev. J. E. LINDHOLM, Rector of All Saints' Church, Pontiac, the Bishop pronouncing the Benediction.

At the close of the Service the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The roll was called and the record of the first day's proceedings was read and approved.

The Bishop then read a communication from the Church of the Saviour, Providence, stating that compliance had been made with the resolution offered in the Convention at its session yesterday.

The resolution appended to the report of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was then called up, and, on motion, was laid on the table.

On motion, the following resolutions were referred to the Committee on Canons to report to the next Convention:

Resolved, That this Convention, in consenting to act as trustee of any property conveyed to it for parish or other purposes, assumes no indebtedness which may be imposed on such property; and that it is not within the province of the Convention to raise by taxation or assessment, funds to meet any such indebtedness.

Resolved, That in case of any such indebtedness existing on property so held, which indebtedness cannot be met by the parties beneficially interested, it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes to make known the fact in such a way as to secure voluntary subscriptions for the payment of such indebtedness; but that the Convention recognizes no legal liability or duty on its part to make such payment.

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes should be incorporated as an independent self-perpetuating corporation.

The report of the Committee of Audit and Finance, relating to Convention expenses and Bishop's salary, was, on motion, referred back to said committee for amendment.

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the Woman's Auxiliary, reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, would express their gratification that this department of the Church's work has been called to the attention of the Convention. The faithful women have always been an unfailing dependence in sustaining the various religious and charitable enterprises which have been conducted in the name and for the glory of our Divine Master. It was a blessed day for the Church when the Woman's Auxiliary was organized From that time renewed life has been manifested in the great missionary work of the

Church. In the short time that it has had an existence, hundreds of thousands of dollars have, through its agency, been added to the receipts of the General Board, and the hearts of a host of our missionaries and their families have been cheered by the contribution of boxes of articles prepared for their comfort and pleasure. These missionaries have thus been made to feel as they never before felt the sympathy of their brethren in the more favored parts of the Church. Besides this, the work of these mothers, and wives, and sisters is operating as a grand missionary educator in our various parishes. We feel that the children in our families are indirectly, and we may say directly, having imparted to them a far deeper interest than heretofore in the great missionary work of the Church. Bearing in mind the marching orders of the great Commander, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," the Woman's Auxiliary embrace in their labors all portions of the missionary field, Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign.

What has already been accomplished by this instrumentality leads us to anticipate far greater results in the future, when, as we trust, will soon be the case, all the parishes in our land become connected with the Auxiliary. Surely a body which has manifested such a noble Christian spirit and has accomplished so much for the honor of our blessed Lord, should receive the official recognition of this body. Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved,, That this Convention recognize with thankfulness to God, the great and good work which the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions is doing; and would express the warmest interest, especially in the work of the Rhode Island branch, and would respectfully urge upon every parish in the Diocese the privilege of bearing a part in this enterprise.

Resolved, That the Rhode Island branch of the Woman's Auxiliary be invited to present a brief statement of their work at the annual meetings of the Convention, to be entered with the other reports in our Journal.

D. HENSHAW, *Chairman.*
T. H. COCROFT,
MAXWELL GREENE.

On motion, the report was received, and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee appointed by the Convention to consider the matter of preparing a tribute of respect to the memory of the three clerical members deceased during the past year, made report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee appointed by the Convention to consider the matter of preparing a tribute of respect to the memory of the three clerical members deceased during the past year, viz., the Rev. Messrs. E. M. Porter, J. H. Carpenter, and D. R. Brewer, would respectfully report:—

That they find that it has not been the practice of the Convention to take such action upon the death of any of its members.

That at meetings of the clergy of the Diocese as a body, due and appropriate notice has already been taken of the great loss sustained by the Church and the Diocese in the removal of these brethren, and of their eminently pure and earnest Christian and ministerial characters.

And that the faithful and affectionate portraitures of the lives and services of these servants of Christ in His Church, given by the Bishop of the Diocese in his annual address, which forms a part of the minutes of the Convention, renders it hardly called for to put on record any farther special tribute to their memory.

The Committee therefore ask that this paper be received in fulfilment of their duty, and that the Committee be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. TUCKER,
J. L. MILLER,
EDWIN BABCOCK.

The report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

On motion, the Committee appointed at the last session of the Convention to prepare a form of charter or act of incorporation for churches in this Diocese, were continued to the next session of this Convention.

The Committee appointed to consider the matter of non-attendance of children at Church, report as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NON-ATTENDANCE OF CHILDREN AT CHURCH.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the non-attendance of children at Church beg leave to submit the following report:

The danger to which our Bishop alluded in his address for 1879, in

words so earnest and timely, is one that seriously threatens the stability and continuity of many of our parishes, and has a marked tendency to obstruct the influence of our religion upon society. It would be impossible within the limits of a brief report to portray the evil in all its graver aspects, or present in detail the means which suggest themselves as calculated to aid in arresting its progress. Attention is called, therefore, here to only a few of the more salient points and to such brief suggestions as have a most direct bearing upon the subject.

In the outset, your Committee desire to record their fixed conviction that this peril, endangering the very perpetuity of our religious institutions, in no wise originates in any defect of the Church's order, or her long-tried system for training the young in "the nurture and admonition of the Lord." The failure must rather grow out of imperfections in administration. The origin of the evil is doubtless not to be found in any single direction, but should be traced through the many branches of our church life.

The Sunday School, to which we instinctively turn first in this connection, while justly amenable to grave criticism as to some of its methods and tendencies, cannot, in the opinion of your Committee, be held responsible for the sad condition of things, in more than a limited degree. It is performing a most noble work and exerting a widespread and healthful influence for Christ and His Church, and it would seem impossible to devise any substitute that could guarantee any such measure of varied usefulness Special emphasis should be laid upon the fact, that the Sunday School is a most efficient means for gathering under the Church's influence and instruction large numbers of children whose homes never speak of Christ, and is, therefore, in this regard doing a work of incalculable value. The error seems to lie in a misconception of the true function of the Sunday School on the part of Christian parents, who have, in many cases come to look to it for well nigh all the religious training of their children, and strangely allow attendance upon its sessions to serve as a substitute for the regular worship of the Church.

The habit in many quarters of opening the Sunday School with a Liturgy constructed upon principles entirely foreign to the Prayer Book, thus furnishing no training in the regular Church service, doubtless operates to deter children from attending upon the stated worship, which is thus necessarily unfamiliar.

Aside from these prejudicial features, which are not inherent, the general structure of the Sunday School cannot fairly be open to adverse criticism; but, on the contrary, such systematic religious training, in a place where the children meet on one common ground, must signally enhance their spiritual well-being and prove a most salutary agency in the hands of the Church.

The increasing neglect of public worship on the part of the older members of the congregation; the growing disuse of united worship in the household; and extreme aversion for the old, stern spirit of the past, which has engendered a disinclination to speak of spiritual things frankly and openly in the family, till religious converse is becoming more and more impersonal and constantly drifting farther from vital connection with the religious characters forming in the Christian home,—these things must have a most baneful influence, and tend to create in the young a feeling that religion is of minor importance and its practice a matter of choice rather than of duty.

Again, in not a few parishes, under our prevailing system, it would be impossible to provide accommodation for the children at the regular services, were they to attend in large numbers. The young would thus not find a place, perhaps not a cordial welcome, were they disposed to worship with their elders.

As supplementing these few specific causes which so clearly operate against the spiritual interests of our youth, might be mentioned the general deadening in society of the sense of religious responsibility, and a consequent wide-spread indifference to the duties of the Christian life and to the Church's means of grace. The spiritual life of the young cannot escape the poisonous influence of the tainted moral atmosphere in which they move.

Your Committee desire to offer very briefly a few of the many possible suggestions which, if carried out in our parishes, would, in their judgment, have a tendency to at least retard in a marked degree the progress of the evil in question.

In the first place, they are constrained to lay special and most positive emphasis upon the inalienable responsibility of parents and sponsors towards those children, whom the ties of kindred or solemn vows taken at the font have consigned to their keeping, and would fain carry home to Christian hearts the fact that duties arising in these sacred relations cannot be transferred to other hands or abandoned till those in whose interest they are assumed are found in the communion of the Church, leading "godly and Christian" lives. Could parents and sponsors become awakened to the imperative demand thus made upon them, a spiritual force would be set to work in society, far-reaching and most salutary in its effect, upon all classes. A generous loyalty to the Church's policy in this regard would create an out-going influence which would be felt far beyond her own pale.

Furthermore, in behalf of those youth not thus blessed with Christian parents or sponsors, would we enlist the loving sympathy of such earnest workers as for Christ's sake would be willing to follow them with watch-

ful eyes and winning words, bringing all their best influence to bear upon their spiritual well being; so assuring them that they need be by no means friendless, though mere waifs in this great world redeemed in its every quarter by the precious blood of Christ. Especially should this noble work be urged upon the Sunday School teacher, who, in addition to all other gifts, and as richer than all else, should covet the power to throw about the young the magnetic influence of an earnest, devout, and Christ-like spirit.

As aiding the young to find the Church service familiar and congenial, your Committee would suggest that the sessions of Sunday School be invariably opened with a short service compiled from the Prayer Book, and so arranged as to preserve the general order and plan of the regular services, and would recommend that this Convention devise some means whereby uniformity of services, in accordance with the above suggestion, and of time for holding the same, be attained throughout the Diocese.

The Sunday School should do vastly more than drill our children in Christian doctrines. It should quite as much train them in the practical duties of the Christian religion, and teach them to join intelligently in the prayers and praises of that Liturgy which is to guide their worship all their lives. One of the prominent offices of the Sunday School should be the training of our youth in habits of worship, and a worship constructed upon precisely the same pattern as that which they are ever after to use. The place to teach the Prayer Book is in the Sunday School; the way to teach the use of the Prayer Book is to use it. The child who has once learned, as most of them will, to love and prize the Church's Liturgy, is in little danger of being led in after life to desire or be content with anything else.

In parishes where the plan is feasible, your Committee would recommend the setting apart of a suitable number of sittings for the exclusive use of such children as have no parents to lead them to the family pew; and would urge the necessity of the teachers or some self-denying Christian workers attending service with them to insure a becoming decorum and intelligent use of the Liturgy.

It is believed, however, that while attendance of the young upon all services should be encouraged, the most effective plan would be to devote one regular service, at least once each month, in the parish church to the special use of the children, when they might feel that they had a prior claim to the church, and this service, in the opinion of your Committee, should be conducted in the same manner as for the adult congregation, except that the sermon should be quite brief and in a style so simple and familiar as to adapt it to the capacity of the younger members of the youthful congregation. It would seem impossible for the preacher on *all* occasions

of public worship to so simplify his teaching as to adapt it to the tender minds of his flock and at the same time satisfy the more mature and intelligent portion of the congregation. At the same time, it is believed that a conscientious effort on the part of the preacher always to present only clear and definite thoughts and sentences that could be understood and grasped by the youthful hearers, would be almost equally appreciated by the maturer minds in the congregation.

This necessarily imperfect presentation of the grave subject placed in the hands of your Committee, they cannot but deeply feel by no means does justice to the serious character of the evil confronting the Church to-day. They would, therefore, respectfully recommend that the whole subject be laid before the Convention at its present session, for a free interchange of thought and to secure the benefit of its united deliberations; and that, if possible, some feasible plan be adopted, as reflecting the sentiment of this body, to go out to the parishes of the Diocese with the sanction and recommendation of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. ACKLEY,
DANIEL GOODWIN,
HENRY STAPLES,
J. W. VERNON.

On motion, the report was received and entered upon the minutes.

On motion, the following resolution, with amendment, was presented and passed:

Resolved, That a Committee be and hereby are authorized to apply to the next session of the General Assembly of this State for an amendment of the Charter of this Convention, so as to allow the Convention to hold real and personal estate other than Church buildings and rectories to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

Amendment. That the said Committee be directed to enquire into the expediency of vesting this trust in a special close corporation.

Messrs. E. D. Bassett and George L. Cooke were appointed such committee.

The Convention then proceeded to the elections.

The following persons were elected

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS,

TO SERVE FOR TWO YEARS.

Rev. D. H. Greer,
" E. H. Porter,
" J. W. Colwell,
Mr. R. H. I. Goddard,
" J. C. Burrington.

Mr. James M. Cross was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

Mr. William Ames was elected a member of the Board of Audit and Finance for the term of three years, Mr. William Grosvenor declining a re-election.

The Rev. Samuel H. Webb was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

The Standing Committee was re-elected as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw,
" D. H. Greer,
" C. A. L. Richards,
" George J. Magill,
Mr. E. A. Greene,
" George L. Cooke,
" W. W. Blodgett,
" T. P. I. Goddard.

Mr. J. B. Anthony was re-elected a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund.

The Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was elected as follows, Mr. T. P. Bogert declining a re-election:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

Mr. H. L. Beckwith,
" J. L. Peirce,
Mr. E. D. Bassett,
" E. A. Greene,

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was elected as follows:

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, Etc.

Mr. M. B. I. Goddard, Mr. C. T. Dorrance,
" Edward A. Greene, " S. C. Blodget.

On motion, the election of the Depository Board was postponed.

On motion, the Committee on Sunday Schools was continued.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay one hundred dollars, (the sum received this year according to the provisions of the last will of Miss Sarah U. Goddard,) to the Bishop of the Diocese, to apply towards the completion of St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

The Committee on Audit and Finance again reported upon the assessments for the Bishop's salary and Convention expenses.

On motion, the report was received and placed on file.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Session of this Convention be held in the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

On motion,

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid to the sexton of All Saints' Memorial Church, for his services at this session of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Parish of All Saints' Memorial Church for the hospitalities extended during the present session.

On motion,

Resolved, That in printing the Journal of the session of this Convention the Parochial Reports be omitted.

On motion,

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Journal of this session of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary and Treasurer, and that ten copies be given to each parish, and the remainder, after deducting the prescribed number of copies, be distributed pro rata in accordance with the assessments for the expenses of the Convention.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the whole subject of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, reported a revised draft of the Constitution, which, with certain alterations and amendments, was approved. (See Appendix.)

The same Committee further reported a revised list of Canons—certain alterations and amendments being made, it was then, on motion,

Resolved, That the Canons as revised this day be, and they are hereby adopted as the Canons of this Convention, and all Canons or parts of Canons inconsistent therewith be, and the same are hereby repealed. (See Appendix.)

The Depository Board was then re-elected as follows:

DEPOSITORY BOARD.

Rev. E. H. Porter,	Mr. Samuel C. Blodget,
" D. H. Greer,	" J. H. DeWolf.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Board of Missions be requested to report to the next Convention, after full investigation, whether they deem it advisable to establish a Mission at Burrillville; if not, whether they recommend the sale of the property belonging to the Convention in that town.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to notify the parishes of the amendment of the Canon relating to assessments for the Bishop's salary.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to consult with the Treasurer of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., with reference to the amendment of his report.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the subject of the Church Temperance Society, made report, which was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTEMPERANCE.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the evils of intemperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

Your Committee feel under deep obligation to our Bishop for bringing to the attention of this Convention the great peril to which society and the Church is exposed in the alarming increase of intemperance, whose terrible evils are too widely known to need any special presentation in this report. In the opinion of your Committee it is the imperative duty of the Church to exert her utmost influence to encourage and further all wise and Christian means tending to arrest and correct the evil.

They have had no time to draw up a report covering all the important points naturally suggested in connection with this important subject. They would, therefore, at present simply most earnestly commend to the thoughtful consideration of the several parishes in the Diocese, the principles and means suggested by the American "Church Temperance Society," as set forth in the Constitution of that body, which is herewith presented:

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS the drinking usages of society and the excessive use of intoxicating drinks have to a large extent obscured the fact that Temperance is the Law of the Gospel, and imperatively demanded by the Baptismal Vow; and, whereas it is the duty of the Church, in her normal capacity, to promote the principle of temperance by all proper means in her power, it is hereby resolved to adopt the following Constitution:

NAME.

This Society shall be called "The Church Temperance Society."

OBJECTS.

Its objects are:

I. The promotion of temperance.

II. The removal of the causes which lead to intemperance.

III. The reformation of the intemperate.

BASIS.

Recognizing temperance as the law of the Gospel, and total abstinence as a rule of expediency in certain cases, and fully and freely according to every man the right to decide in the exercise of his Christian liberty, whether or not he will adopt said rule, this Society lays down as the basis on which it rests and from which its work shall be conducted, a *union and co-operation on equal terms* for the promotion of temperance between those who use moderately, and those who entirely abstain from intoxicating drinks as beverages.

MEANS.

Supreme above all others, we recognize the Grace of God in and through our Lord Jesus Christ, as the means by which the reform of the intemperate is to be sought. Subject to, and in dependence on this, we would prosecute our undertaking; and we distinctly place all methods of work and all expedients of reform in a position of subordination to the authority of Christ and His Church.

We therefore recommend to the members of this Society daily prayer for the Divine blessing upon our labors.

As secondary means, we adopt:

I. Systematic teaching on the physical, social and moral evils of intemperance, by means of sermons, lectures and the press.

II. The formation of Diocesan and Parochial societies on the general plan of this Society and in affiliation with it.

III. Counter attractions. The promotion of coffee houses, workingmen's benefit societies and associations, reading-rooms, with social gathering for amusement as well as instruction.

IV. Total abstinence from all intoxicating beverages.

To be urged on the intemperate and those under special peril.

(a.) *As a measure of physical necessity*, science and experience uniting in the testimony that the drink-craving is kept alive by any indulgence, however small, in that which has been the cause of it.

(b.) *As the first step to true repentance.*

(c.) *As an instrument of reformation*, reliance being placed solely upon the power and grace of Almighty God sought in the use of all the appointed means of grace.

To be recommended to the temperate:

(*a.*) Whenever placed in special peril. (*b.*) Whenever prudence or medical advice shall require it as a measure of preservation; and also, (*c.*) Whenever any, by thus abridging his liberty, may be able to help his weaker brother, or to remove a stumbling block out of his way.

To be recommended especially to the young as a safeguard against temptation.

They would recommend the formation of organizations in our parishes substantially in accordance with the above provisions; and would further suggest that a committee be appointed to report in full to the next Convention, and to whom application may be made for information or assistance, with reference to the work of temperance in the several parishes.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. ACKLEY,
W. W. AYERS,
H. C. CUNNINGHAM,
LYMAN CLAPP,
J. O. STARKWEATHER,
} *Committee.*

The recommendations were approved and the Committee continued, to make further report to the next session of the Convention.

The Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW was added to the Committee upon the subject of the Non-attendance of Children at Church.

On motion,

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes of the day's proceedings and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes were then read and approved.

The Bishop offered prayer and pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned.

SAMUEL H. WEBB, *Secretary*.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

We do not meet in Convention to-day with unbroken ranks; three of our honored presbyters, during the past year, have been taken away out of our earthly sight forever. Their work here is finished, and they rest from their labors.

The Rev. Emery M. Porter, on his return from morning service at church, was, suddenly, and without any premonition of disease or pain, struck by the hand of death, and almost at once ceased to be numbered among the living. The larger portion of his public life was passed in another Diocese, but, as in his youth he had served the church in Rhode Island, he came back to close his days here. Although he never, after his return, resumed the duties of a Rectorship, his services were constantly in demand, and there were few Sundays when he was not called to give his aid in some of our larger churches, or to supply some vacant parish. He was a godly man, humble and unassuming, and walked patiently in the old paths, undisturbed by any popular ecclesiastical or doctrinal novelties. He was a gospel preacher of the ancient type, and what he preached was illustrated in his daily walk and conversation. A few days before his death he attended our monthly clerical meeting, and it was remarked by many that they had never heard him express

himself with so much force and unction as he displayed on that occasion. The subject of discussion was one that lay near his heart, and he evidently spoke out of the fullness of his soul.

The Rev. James H. Carpenter passed to his rest by slow and sensible degrees, and after a protracted and wearisome illness, meekly and submissively rendered back his spirit to the God who gave him life. He also was a man without guile, transparent and simple as a child, accepting his lot which was never very brilliant or attractive, as the ordering of one who knew what was the discipline which he most needed. Mr. Carpenter was a studious and thoughtful man, but was not possessed of those popular gifts which ensure outward success. I never heard him complain of neglect, or give expression to any feeling of disappointed ambition. He did the work that was given him to do thoroughly and to his best ability, and when his public career was over, he continued to benefit those around him by his pure and unspotted life, and absolute resignation to the will of God.

The death of the Rev. Darius Richmond Brewer has left a void that will not readily be filled. Many of you will remember the remarkable sermon that he preached before this Convention a few years ago. The hand of death had touched him then, and he went home that day to begin the battle with a fierce and torturing disease that never left him until he found rest in the arms of Jesus. Although he was called to endure such suffering as few men ever know, not a murmur escaped his lips, and not a cloud obscured his faith, —he drank the bitter cup to its dregs, saying, "Thy will, O Lord, be done." A more honest and outspoken man never lived, and yet we could never imagine him to have an enemy. Earnest and devout as he was, no tinge of moroseness or fanaticism impaired the beauty of his life, and in his inter-

course with all sorts and conditions of men, he always had due regard to the proprieties of society, and never made religion distasteful, by forcing the subject upon those who were indisposed to listen. He was at all times and in all places the courteous gentleman, as well as a model Christian pastor. When he entered the door he brought the light with him, and even when he was himself walking in the shadow of death, he could forget his own sufferings in the endeavor to comfort others. He was what I would call a great preacher, never taking a scrap of paper into the pulpit; every thought found its fitting expression, and every word was in its place. He was singularly fresh and original in his modes of illustration, and often surprised his hearers by the rich and unexpected veins of thought that he would develop from his text. The keynote of his religious character was "the losing of self in Christ;" not a morbid brooding over the remainders of sin and corruption, not an attempt to establish a title to salvation, but an implicit trust in the love of Christ. His theology was summed up in this: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

Another great man has recently fallen, of whom I cannot forbear to speak for a moment, although he was not a presbyter of this Diocese at the time of his decease; but, as a native of this city, and having begun his career as pastor of one of our most prominent churches, I feel that he ought not to pass unnoticed by us. The Rev. Dr. Alexander H. Vinton has been, for nearly half a century, a power in our communion, and has been recognized as such by multitudes outside the teachers of our own church. He was in all points a man of massive proportions, great in the pulpit, great in public debate, great in his private talk. His voice was like the rich notes of an organ, his action was graceful and majestic, his thought was profound, his style was translucent and

full of dignity, and kindled with the glow of poetic fire. Few speakers, who deal in argument as much as he did, indulge so freely in the play of fancy; the blocks of stone with which he built were veined with gold and azure and vermilion, so that sometimes, when you heard him, you might say, "This man is a poet rather than a philospher," and yet, after all, the philosophic element predominated. Constitutionally inclined, as he was, to speculation, and well read in all the prominent controversies of the times, he never swerved from the straight path of ecclesiastical and theological belief in which he started. He was not easily moved by others, and never seemed inclined to question his own convictions. Beginning his life, as he has told me, in utter unbelief; from the hour when he first found peace in believing, he ceased to doubt and ceased to question; he had dropped his anchor within the veil, and after that the winds and the storms had no further power. His body rests to-day in yonder cemetery; the truth which he so eloquently preached and so illustriously exemplified in his life, still abides and will continue to exert its power forever.

Others in the ranks of our clergy, who loomed very high in the horizon, have recently fallen, of whom I would be glad to speak, if time allowed. Of the many who filled distinguished places in the church at the date of my ordination, forty-five years ago, very few remain, and most of those with whom I started are gone. The deaths of Mr. Carpenter and of Mr. Brewer leave but two presbyters in this Diocese who were here at the time of my consecration. And so we come and go, like shadows, and the world moves on much as it did, after we have gone. This is our ninety-first annual Convention; some of you will probably live to celebrate the Centennial; but the places which many of us now fill will

then be occupied by others. May it be said of none of us that we have lived in vain.

I now pass to the report of my official acts during the year, confining myself, as usual, for the most part, to such as are peculiarly Episcopal.

On Sunday, the 27th of June, I preached the baccalaureate sermon before the students of Trinity College, Hartford.

On the 1st day of July, I consecrated St. Mary's Church, Warwick, in the presence of a large number of the clergy and laity. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Harwood, of New Haven. The new edifice is a conspicuous and beautiful feature in the landscape, and at a comparatively small cost we have now a commodious and pleasant house of worship for summer use, with the probable prospect that there will be established in due time an organized parish, with services continued throughout the year.

On Sunday morning, July 5th, I visited St. Peter's Chapel, Narragansett Pier. A beautiful rectory has been built on the church grounds, mainly by the liberal contributions of the summer visitors. In the afternoon I confirmed six persons in the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield. I regret to say that the Rev. Charles H. Bixby has resigned the rectorship and removed to Chicago.

On Sunday, July 25th, I confirmed nineteen in the Church of the Epiphany, Elmwood, one of the number being from the Church of the Saviour, Providence. Since the opening of the new church at Elmwood, the parish has advanced to a high condition of prosperity. I regret to say that the Rev. Mr. Fulton has recently resigned the rectorship.

On Sunday, August 15th, I visted All Saints' Chapel, and St. John's Chapel, Newport.

On Sunday, September 19th, I admitted the Rev. Samuel Paxson Watters to Priest's Orders in Trinity Church, New-

port. The candidate was presented by the Rev. George J. Magill, the Rev. Dr. Child uniting in the laying on of hands. Mr. Watters has taken charge of St. John's Chapel, Newport, where a wide field of usefulness is opened.

On the 21st of the same month, I consecrated St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown, which takes the place of the scanty edifice where our services had long been held. The new church is an ornament to the island of Conanicut, and it is to be hoped that before long we may have a resident rector there. At present the church is looked after by the Rev. Mr. Magill, by whose indefatigable zeal the funds for building the church were mainly secured.

On Sunday, October 18th, I consecrated St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich, and the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Idaho and Utah. It is a most creditable testimony to the zeal of the rector and the generosity of his people, that this noble edifice has so soon been freed from all pecuniary incumbrance; ready to take its full share in relieving the burdens of our diocesan missionary work, as the liberal contributions which it has already made sufficiently show.

On Sunday, November 14th, I confirmed six in St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and four in the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

On the 11th of December, I consecrated St. Mary's Chapel, Cumberland Hill. It continues to be under the charge of the rector of Emmanuel Church, Manville, by whose efforts the last remainder of the debt incurred in its erection has been liquidated.

On Sunday morning, December 19th, I confirmed five in St. George's Church, Central Falls. There is nothing to hinder this church from becoming a strong and self-supporting parish but the debt which still encumbers the property,

and which is the result of most unwise and unwarrantable extravagance in the beginning, and for which the congregation are not in any way responsible. I am happy to say that this debt is rapidly diminishing, and we trust that before long St. George's may be added to the list of our consecrated churches. In the afternoon I preached to a crowded congregation at the mission in Valley Falls.

On the 8th of January I attended a pleasant gathering at the house of the Rev. Dr. Shaw, in recognition of the sixtieth anniversary of his ordination. Few of our clergy are ever called to celebrate such an occasion as this; but although the doctor has out-lived nearly all his contemporaries, his force is not spent or his natural strength abated, and he is still ready to respond Sunday after Sunday to the incessant demands which are made for his services.

On Sunday morning, January 30th, I confirmed seven in St. Philip's Church, Crompton. Measures are in progress for the enlargement of the building, and when its seating capacity has been doubled, it will probably continue to be as crowded as it is at present,—the demand for pews being far beyond the supply. In the afternoon I preached at the spacious hall at Apponaug, where services are statedly held by the rector of St. Philip's, and the place was filled with an intelligent and interested congregation. A fund has been started for the erection of a church in this village, mostly contributed by the residents. Later in the afternoon, I preached at St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix, also under the charge of the rector of St. Philip's, and all that is needed there, in order to the establishment of a permanent parish, is a suitable church, for which about one-half of the funds that are needed has been pledged. In accordance with his usual Sunday programme, the rector courteously invited me

to hold a fourth service at Crompton, which I respectfully declined.

On Sunday, February 6th, I confirmed six in St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston. The interest in our services has of late greatly increased, and it is proposed to remove the church to a more central situation.

On Sunday, the 13th, I visited Emmanuel Church, Manville, and St. Mary's Chapel, Cumberland Hill. Twelve persons were confirmed.

On Sunday, the 20th, I visited St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

On Sunday, the 27th, I confirmed three in St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

On Sunday, March 13th, I confirmed two in the Church of the Good Shepherd, eight in St. Paul's Church, and thirteen in Trinity Church, Pawtucket. St. Paul's has been beautifully decorated during the last year.

On Sunday, the 20th, I confirmed fourteen in the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

On Sunday, the 27th, I confirmed four in St. John's Church, Barrington, and in the evening confirmed eighteen in St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

On Sunday, April 3d, I visited Christ Church, Westerly, and delivered a sermon in memory of the late rector, the Rev. D. R. Brewer.

On Sunday, the 10th, I confirmed eight in All Saints' Memorial Church, and four in the Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

On the evening of the Thursday before Easter, I confirmed nine in the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

On the evening of Good Friday, I confirmed nineteen in Christ Church, Providence.

On Easter day I confirmed twenty-seven in Grace Church,

and in the evening confirmed twenty-one in the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

On Sunday, April 24th, I confirmed eighteen in St. John's Church, Providence; and in the evening confirmed three in St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

On Sunday, May 13th, I confirmed thirteen in Christ Church, Lonsdale. I am happy to state that the rector has returned to his work, much refreshed and strengthened by his sojourn abroad. In the evening I confirmed nine in St. John's Church, Ashton.

On Sunday, the 8th, I confirmed five in St. Thomas's Church, Greenville; and two in St. Peter's Church, Manton. The condition of the church in both these places has of late been much improved. In the evening, I confirmed fourteen in St. James's Church, Providence.

On Sunday, the 15th, I visited St. Michael's Church, Bristol; and in the evening, confirmed five in Trinity Church, Bristol. To the great regret of his parishioners and of the community at large, the Rev. Joseph H. Johnson has resigned the rectorship of this church, and it still continues vacant.

On the 16th I admitted Mr. Otis Olney Wright to the Holy Order of Deacons in Grace Church, Providence; the Rev. D. H. Greer presenting the candidate.

On Sunday, the 22d, I confirmed seven in Zion Church, and fourteen in Emmanuel Church, Newport.

On Ascension Day, I confirmed five in St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

On Sunday, May 29th, I confirmed five in All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac, and in the evening confirmed six in St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

On Whitsunday, June 5th, I confirmed five in St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

On Trinity Sunday, June 12th, I confirmed thirteen in Trinity Church, Newport, and four in Zion Church, Newport, seven having been confirmed in this church at a former visitation.

The whole number confirmed in the Diocese during the year is 352.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Hezekiah W. Munro,
Henry Bassett,
Alva E. Carpenter,
Charles F. Starkweather,
Isaac T. Bagnall,
William Ramsey Trotter.

ORDINATIONS.

Otis Olney Wright has been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons.

Samuel Paxson Watters has been admitted to the Priesthood.

CLERGY TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. Charles H. Bixby to the Diocese of Illinois.

The Rev. Joseph Johnson to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. Frederick Palmer to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Rev. J. M. C. Fulton to the Diocese of Central New York.

CLERGY RECEIVED INTO THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. Samuel Paxson Watters, from the Diocese of New York.

CHURCHES CONSECRATED.

St. Mary's Church, Warwick.
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.
St. Mary's Church, Cumberland Hill.

CLERGY DEPOSED FROM THE MINISTRY.

George W. Morrill,	By Bishop Vail.
Morriss Ashurst Tyng,	" Bishop Potter.
William S. Tucker,	" Bishop Neely.
Frank E. Bullard,	" Bishop Clarkson.
William H. Hopkins,	" Bishop McLaren.
George L. Brooks,	" Bishop Starkey.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The amount of canonical legislation performed by the last General Convention was very slight, and not such as to warrant the calling together of so large a body of men from every quarter of the land, but the great impulse given to the missionary work of the church, and the action taken on the subject of liturgical enrichment, combine to make the Convention of 1880 one of the most important and significant sessions that has ever been held. The substantial and sudden increase of the receipts of our General Board of Missions, is the direct result of the interest awakened by the missionary meetings that were held in connection with the ordinary business routine, and it may be presumed that the new life which has thus been given to this important department of Christian work will continue to be felt for many years to come.

You may have observed that I did not comply with the request that, in common with the other Bishops, I should issue a pastoral letter calling upon the churches of the Diocese to adopt one uniform mode of collecting missionary funds; although, wherever it is practicable, the particular plan as recommended would undoubtedly prove to be very efficient. It did not, however, seem to me expedient in this Diocese, where most of our parishes have their own established system for meeting the demands of the General

Board, and where the amount contributed is proportionally so much in advance of what is given to missions in other quarters of the church, to disturb the existing arrangements.

Several special movements were suggested during the session of the General Convention, to which it is proper that I should direct your attention.

First, the setting apart of a certain percentage of the communion alms to be paid to the general society for the relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen. In many parts of the church it is impossible to provide for this important charity by any local efforts, and thus far the general society has received very little money, except from the royalty on the Hymnal, which, of course, has diminished, now that our people are generally supplied with the books, and the sales have become comparatively small. If all the parishes in our communion would set apart a small proportion of the monthly collection to this purpose, there would be an ample fund to meet every legitimate application for assistance. The demands upon the society are not large, and I heartily commend their proposal.

Secondly, the raising by general contribution of a fund of one million dollars, to be applied to the erection of new churches. Of late, the number of individual applications for aid in this department of work has sensibly diminished, and certainly this is a matter of congratulation, when we consider the enormous expenditure of time and money involved in the travelling all over the country of so many clergymen, engaged in efforts to procure the means of building churches in the places where they were called to serve, and the utter impossibility of being able to determine in all cases whether the money contributed would be judiciously expended. It is to be presumed that whatever is given to the general fund

for church building will be wisely distributed, and I commend this object to your favorable consideration.

Thirdly, the formation of a fund for the endowment of the Episcopate in our new Dioceses. Under the existing arrangement, the entire salaries of all our Missionary Bishops are supplied from the treasury of the General Board, and thus far no steps have been taken for the reduction of these appropriations; while it is possible that there may be independent Dioceses in the vicinity, which are obliged to carry the whole burden of their own Episcopate, and at the same time they may be as much in need of aid as some of their neighbors, the partial endowment of all our Dioceses is a thing to be desired, but it is still the fact that in many of the older Dioceses, the support of the Bishop continues to be derived almost entirely from assessments levied upon the parishes, and it seems to me somewhat questionable whether the church at large, under those circumstances, should be called upon to furnish endowments for missionary jurisdictions, which, in process of time, may become as strong and as well able to take care of themselves as most of the Dioceses now existing. It may be that we are adding to the list of separate objects for which the contributions of our people are solicited, to such an extent as may tend to discourage even the most benevolent, and impair the efficiency of our action where it is most needed. We are now asked to respond to the calls of the General Foreign Board, and also to the special appeals from the Mission at Hayti, Cuba, and in the Mexican Valley. In addition to the stated demands of the General Domestic Board, we are asked to contribute to the Indian Missions, the education of the Freedmen, the Church-Building Fund, the Endowment Fund, the Mission to the Jews, the General Widows' and Orphans' Fund, the Bible and Prayer-Book Society, the two societies for the education of

young men for the ministry, not to speak of our own diocesan work, which, I regret to say, amid the multitude of appeals from abroad, seems to be too often forgotten.

It may be that all these objects are important and worthy of support, but the list is somewhat formidable.

I cannot allow this subject to pass out of notice without once more expressing my high admiration of the work which has been done by the Women's Missionary Auxiliary. The wisdom, the zeal and the efficiency which have characterized their movements entitle these associations to the highest commendation. Many a weary heart has been made glad through their kind relief, many a barren place has become fruitful from the good seed which they have planted.

A letter will be read from the chairman of the Committee on the Expenses of the General Convention, asking an expression of opinion from this body as to the expediency of providing for these expenses, including the travelling expenses of the Bishop and deputies, estimated at $32,240, and requiring an assessment of ten cents on each communicant, or ten dollars on each clergyman. I have no desire to forestall the action of this Convention, but would beg leave to refer you to the views not long since expressed, as to the ratio of representation in our General Convention, and suggest again whether it is necessary that all our smaller Dioceses should be represented by eight deputies, in addition to the Bishop. If the multiplication of new Dioceses continues to go on at the same rate as we have seen during the past few years, the General Convention will soon become a very unwieldy as well as absurdly expensive body. A resolution was offered in the House of Bishops, with reference to the expediency of still further increasing the assessment to be paid by the Dioceses, so as to pay the expenses *per diem* of the Bishops and clerical and lay deputies during the session of the Con-

vention. This would require at least $20,000 more, and it is a question whether the general benefits accruing to the church at large from a session of the General Convention are such as to warrant the expenditure of $50,000, to be raised by assessments, upon the parishes, not to speak of the local and other expenses attendant upon the Convention, which, of themselves, amount to a considerable sum.

The most significant and important act of the late Convention was the appointment of a committee to consider and report on the subject of liturgical enrichment. The spell at last is broken, and the possibility of some improvement in the arrangements of public worship that were established in the earlier days of the Reformation, and afterward revised by an American Council about a century ago. For the benefit of those who may wish to have a clear understanding of the nature and grounds of this movement, I would commend the article which appeared in the April number of the American Church Review, written by one who is himself a member of the committee to whom the matter has been entrusted.

A communication from the General Convention on "The Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer," will also be laid before you, which, I would suggest, should be referred to a special committee, to report at the next session of this Convention.

DIOCESAN AFFAIRS.

I pass now to the consideration of certain points touching upon our own Diocesan affairs, and which, I trust, will receive your deliberate attention.

The Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes will present a report that will call for some action, or at least for some expression of opinion, on the part of the Convention. A considerable amount of property is now vested in the Con-

vention, and it is important that some understanding should be had as to the degree of responsibility which this involves in the matter of insurance, taxation, and other incidental expenses. The Board has no funds at its direct disposal, and the question to be determined is, to what extent the Convention itself is liable for charges upon the property standing in its name.

The report of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., will show such an increase in the call for aid from the funds at their disposal, that it will become necessary to encroach upon the principal, unless the churches of the Diocese shall respond more generally to this important branch of our charities. For many years the demand was very slight, and at that time there grew up a habit of remissness in regard to the collection, which the canon requires, and many parishes neglected it altogether. This is a matter which comes so close home, to the clergy more especially, that it will probably be needed only to call attention to the wants of the Board, in order to the ample replenishing of its treasury.

Our Diocesan Board of Missions has dragged through another hard year of struggle for money and devices for paying the stipends of our missionaries. The missions themselves were never in a more healthy and vigorous condition; the clergymen in charge are doing their work faithfully, efficiently, uncomplainingly, and, in accordance with our rules, every one of them has been paid promptly and in full, when the quarter day came round, and by dint of most persistent effort and the reduction of our appropriations to the minimum, the Board is able to report itself as nearly out of debt. It is difficult to account for the fact that, while the Diocese has been steadily increasing in strength, and our contributions to the general work of the church have enlarged,

proportionally, for the last twenty years, we have made no advance in what we are able to do for missions in our own diocese. We greatly need the services of an itinerant Missionary, and the Woman's Branch of Missions has proposed to raise the means necessary to meet this want; but so long as their aid is needed in order to enable us to keep those in the field who are now in our employ, it has not been thought expedient to press this particular point. There is wealth enough in this Diocese to enable us to sustain our own missionaries liberally, and also to send the ministrations of our church wherever throughout the State they are needed; but for some reason this is the one department of Christian work in regard to which it is most difficult to excite a general and living interest.

THE CHURCH CONGRESS.

The Church Congress have appointed their next meeting in the city of Providence, and it will be held during the month of October. The previous sessions have been held in New York, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Boston and Albany. I trust that the same interest will be manifested in this important and influential institution of the church, in our community, which has thus far been excited wherever it has met, and that we shall all fully appreciate the privilege of hearing the great questions that pertain to our social and religious life discussed by many of the most eminent clergymen and laymen of our communion. It is an occasion which has always attracted crowds of listeners from all classes of society and of all shades of belief; the practical importance of the subjects considered, the absolute freedom with which they are treated, and the strictness of the rules by which the audience are protected against the intrusion of

over-long speeches, every speaker being strictly confined to the number of minutes allowed him, from the want of which restriction, our public gatherings are so often made tedious by the persistence of those who never know when to stop, combine to give a peculiar life and spirit to the sessions of the Church Congress. There has never been a movement in the Protestant Episcopal Church which has attracted so much attention from the world at large and done so much to commend the Church to the respect and good will of the community as that which has been instituted by the Church Congress. The programme of the meeting in October, and the list of speakers, will be announced in due time, and I have no doubt that the clergy and laity of the Diocese will gladly avail themselves of the opportunity to hear the last and freshest words of our ablest speakers on those topics which are of the most vital concern, not only to us as churchmen, but to all the citizens of the land.

THE REVISED EDITION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT.

The publication of the revised edition of the New Testament is an event which I think ought not to pass without comment. We have been waiting for it long and patiently, feeling that a work to which the ablest Christian scholars in Great Britain and the United States have been devoting so much time and labor for so many years, must be entitled to most respectful consideration, and ought to result in giving to the English-speaking world a more true and accurate rendering of the original Scriptures than we have ever had before. In this respect we have not been disappointed. It is a matter of course that there will be some details which everybody will criticise, and it is not to be expected that every phrase and word will be just as we would prefer to have it. There may be cause for regret, that in so many

instances the peculiar charm of diction which characterizes the New Testament as we have been used to read it, should have been sacrificed in the attempt to secure a more literal translation of the original Greek; and also that many of the suggestions embodied in the appendix could not have been incorporated into the text, and still with all its defects, the new revision must be accepted as a most valuable contribution to the literature of the Bible.

THE CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

An important step has recently been taken in the formation of a church temperance society on the general basis of a movement which has been received with great favor in the Church of England. While this society distinctly recognizes the propriety, if not the obligation of total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks on the part of those who are so constituted, that indulgence to any extent, however limited, is almost certain to lead to excess, and also of those who feel that they are bound to practice such abstinence for the good of others, the Church Temperance Society encumbers itself with no rigid pledge, to be exacted of all its members, but seeks to unite, under one broad standard, all who are anxious to do something toward the extirpation of one of the most terrible evils that afflict society. This movement has already excited much interest in our own church, and it seems to meet the wants of many who are not willing to come under the yoke of that law or ordinance, which says, unqualifiedly, "Touch not, taste not, handle not," or to accept any perversions or misinterpretation of Scripture in order to enforce a theory which the Bible does not on the surface appear to sustain, but who, at the same time are very desirous to do something in a practical way towards the work of reform, and the removal of the temptations

which have led so many astray. I most heartily commend this timely movement, and would be glad to see all the clergy and laity of the Diocese identified with it.

CONCLUSION.

I may say, in closing, that upon the whole, I have never found the churches of this Diocese in a more healthy and thriving condition than they are at present. Several of the parishes have been relieved of burdensome debts, while almost all found themselves, at Easter, in a better pecuniary condition than they had been for many years. A large number of our clergy have met together, month by month, to discuss the great topics in which we all have a common interest, with most gratifying results. The most absolute freedom of expression is manifested at these meetings, and a degree of intellectual vigor and a general knowledge of our modern modes of thought has been displayed, highly creditable to them as leaders of public opinion. Substantial agreement has been found to exist among those who were supposed to differ, and the effect has been to draw the brethren closer together as members of the same household, enlisted in the same contest with ignorance, error and unbelief.

I will not detain you any longer from the work which you have now assembled to do, and may the spirit of our Divine Master preside and direct your present deliberations.

APPENDIX.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

JUNE, 1881.

PLACES.	PARISHES.	RECTOR OR MINISTER.	BAPTISMS.			CONFIRMATIONS.	COMMUNICANTS.						MARRIAGES.	BURIALS.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.		
							ADDED.										
			Infants.	Adults.	Total.		New.	By Removal.	Total.	Died.	Removed.	Present Number.			Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.	Total.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	R. Murray, Jr	20	3	23	10	10	5	15	1	11	75	10	9	20	240	260
Barrington	St. John's Chapel	W. M. Chapin	12	8	20	4	4	6	10	2	2	59	2	6	4	30	34
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	G. L. Locke	19	3	22	....	1	10	11	14	4	420	6	30	33	275	308
"	Trinity Church	Vacant	9	5	14	5	5	....	5	....	12	95	....	5	15	100	115
Central Falls	St. George's Church	A. T. Parsons	10	....	10	5	4	12	16	1	3	90	16	13	12	80	92
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Church	C. W. Colton	9	....	9	6	....	....	....	....	....	35	1	8	12	117	129
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	T. H. Cocroft	20	1	21	7	9	....	9	3	8	54	9	16	9	75	84
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	D. Goodwin	15	3	18	6	6	1	7	3	....	150	5	12	26	187	213
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	D. I. Odell	20	4	24	3	3	6	9	2	7	.....	4	5	11	110	121
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	W. I. Magill	1	4	5	5	5	....	5	....	....	52	2	1	11	64	75
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	G. J. Magill	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lonsdale	Christ Church	H. C. Cunningham	28	3	31	13	13	....	13	3	....	305	7	11	41	452	493
Manton	St. Peter's Church	W. I. Magill	8	1	9	2	7	1	8	1	....	40	1	3	12	70	82
Manville	Emmanuel Church	Henry Hague	2	8	10	12	12	1	13	....	2	62	5	14	15	140	155
Newport	Emmanuel Church	R. B. Peet	17	4	21	14	14	2	16	7	3	246	15	18	24	263	287
"	Trinity Church	G. J. Magill	28	7	35	13	11	8	19	8	4	501	11	35	61	385	446
"	Zion Church	E. H. Kettell	2	5	7	11	14	....	14	4	....	248	6	11	16	162	178
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	E. H. Porter	18	5	23	8	7	4	11	3	3	273	24	36	13	152	165

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ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

June. 1881.

PARISHES.	Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.									Contributions for Parish Purposes.			TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Indian Missions.	Home Missions for Colored People.	Education for the Ministry.	Widows and Orphans, etc., Fund.	Miscellaneous and Unspecified.	TOTAL	Pew Rents, Offerings, etc., for support of Public Worship.	All other Contributions.	TOTAL.	
Ashton, St. John's	$10 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$5 00	$268 80	$283 80	$1,340 38	.....	$1,340 38	$1,624 18
Barrington, St. John's	12 50	$5 00	$5 00	.....	.....	.....	6 14	71 46	100 10	1,172 36	$444 00	1,616 36	1,716 46
Bristol, St. Michael's	1 55	100 00	240 00	$60 00	$40 00	.....	30 00	664 00	1,289 00	3,552 19	3,569 70	7,121 89	8,410 89
" Trinity Church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 24	.....	4 24	925 37	482 57	1,407 88	1,412 12
Central Falls, St. George's	23 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 22	8 69	36 11	685 38	742 44	1,427 82	1,463 93
Cranston, St. Bartholomew's	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 60	92 60	880 30	629 54	1,509 84	1,601 44
Crompton, St. Philip's	15 60	7 00	4 00	1 00	3 50	$7 00	2 50	30 37	70 97	460 00	145 00	605 00	675 97
East Greenwich, St. Luke's	222 94	213 91	42 28	.....	.....	10 00	54 07	140 79	683 99	2,105 41	7,050 09	9,155 50	9,839 49
East Providence, St. Mary's	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	25 00	41 00	1,011 00	.....	1,101 00	1,052 00
Greenville, St. Thomas's	14 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 25	22 00	41 05	367 50	421 46	788 96	830 01
Jamestown, St. Matthew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88 67	.....	88 67	88 67
Lonsdale, Christ Church	129 39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 55	486 07	636 01	2,269 01	.....	2,269 01	2,905 02
Manton, St. Peter's	7 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 43	200 00	175 81	375 81	383 24
Manville, Emmanuel	10 85	14 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 25	69 50	104 60	1,155 54	.....	1,155 54	1,260 14
Newport, Emmanuel	19 30	63 58	84 96	8 00	162 37	.....	19 40	372 33	729 94	2,957 08	2,508 62	5,465 70	6,195 64
" Trinity	140 01	229 03	16 13	.....	120 65	175 35	133 50	6,093 78	6,908 45	8,000 00	.....	8,000 00	14,908 45
" Zion	11 24	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	237 00	498 24	2,957 75	400 00	3,357 75	3,855 99

Pawtucket, St. Paul's	137 63	63 84	24 25				7 90	187 72	421 34	2,720 78	5,792 52	8,513 30	8,934 64
" Trinity	39 33	112 90	23 24	52 25		8 72	7 94	86 16	330 54	2,730 29	523 07	3,253 36	3,583 90
" Good Shepherd	13 26								13 26	393 72	721 78	1,115 50	1,128 76
Phenix, St. Andrew's	5 00	4 00	2 00						11 00	220 00	120 00	340 00	351 00
Pontiac, All Saints'	10 00	10 00	9 00				5 00	105 27	139 27	650 00		650 00	789 27
Portsmouth, St. Paul's	8 00						5 70	63 96	77 66	750 00	63 93	813 93	891 59
" St. Mary's	25 30	30 87	9 40				10 00	134 13	209 70	319 07	89 99	409 06	618 76
PROVIDENCE, All Saints' Memorial	131 32	264 32	221 33	74 10	46 33		34 00	521 14	1,292 54	4,782 46		4,782 46	6,075 00
Christ Church	20 00	12 00	12 00				3 00	32 39	79 39	734 81	1,076 05	1,810 86	1,890 25
Church of the Epiphany	20 00						3 74	134 87	158 61	1,269 42	265 81	1,535 23	1,693 84
Church of the Messiah	20 23							74 39	94 62	1,537 07	1,000 00	2,537 07	2,631 69
Church of the Redeemer	9 00	40 00	40 00	7 00	5 00			332 91	433 91	1,746 22	150 00	1,896 22	2,330 13
Church of the Saviour	10 50						8 60	301 71	320 81	1,639 13	71 00	1,710 13	2,030 94
Grace Church	722 17	1,444 29	123 50	71 00	88 00	400 00	25 00	3,536 66	6,410 62	9,976 76	500 00	10,476 76	16,887 38
St. Gabriel's	2 54			5 00				67 18	74 72	1,040 07	175 00	1,215 07	1,289 79
St. James's	23 00							65 43	88 43	628 71	1,173 00	1,801 71	1,896 14
St. John's	675 60	1,754 20	1,892 18	642 06	226 56		447 45	32,024 20	37,662 25	6,960 63	3,438 47	10,399 10	48,061 35
St. Stephen's	200 00	111 15	100 00	42 00	75 00	70 00	80 00	1,207 82	1,885 97	6,016 96	343 80	6,360 76	8,246 73
St. Thomas's		8 00						6 00	14 00	250 00	50 00	300 00	314 00
Wakefield, Ascension													
Warren, St. Mark's	79 46	25 00	25 00		11 80	15 85	12 75	169 86	349 25	1,729 48	102 14	1,831 62	2,180 87
Westerly, Christ Church	76 79	53 15	84 24	60 00	17 13		25 56	142 95	459 82	2,496 19	475 04	2,971 23	3,431 05
Wickford, St. Paul's	42 91	68 58	17 59				16 76	49 39	195 23	1,661 25	108 00	1,769 25	1,964 48
Woonsocket, St. James's	37 70	15 00	15 53				12 60	119 92	200 75	2,402 00	395 96	2,797 96	2,998 71
Valley Falls, St. Philip's	7 50								7 50	194 15		194 15	201 65
Narragansett Pier, St. Peter's													
	$3,120 50	$4,899 82	$2,991 63	$1,022 41	$801 34	$692 92	$995 12	$47,934 98	$62,458 72	$82,977 11	$33,204 73	$116,181 84	$178,640 56

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

1880-81.

PARISHES—	
Present number in union with the Convention	39
Number not in union with the Convention	5
Churches consecrated	4
CHURCHES AND CHAPELS	49
MISSION STATIONS, (exclusive of those where there is an organized Parish)	4
CLERGY—	
Ordained to the Diaconate	1
Ordained to the Priesthood	1
Transferred to other Dioceses	4
Received from other Dioceses	1
Died	3
Present number, (Bishop, 1; Priests, 42; Deacon, 1;)	44
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, June, 1880	6
BAPTISMS*	
Infants	553
Adults	138——691
CONFIRMED	352†

* The Parochial statistics, beginning with Baptisms, are incomplete, several parishes having made only partial report.

† Number reported by the Bishop.

COMMUNICANTS—		
Added—New	343	
" By Removal	162	505
Died		124
Removed		162
Present number		6,629
MARRIAGES		348
BURIALS		558
SUNDAY SCHOOL—		
Teachers and officers	784	
Scholars	6,658	7,442

CONTRIBUTIONS

FOR MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES.

For Diocesan Missions	$3,120 50
" Domestic Missions	4,899 82
" Foreign Missions	2,991 63
" Indian Missions	1,022 41
" Home Missions to Colored People	801 34
" Education for the Ministry	692 92
" the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc	995 12
Miscellaneous and Unspecified	47,934 98
Total Missionary and Charitable Contributions	$62,458 72

FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

Ordinary contributions for the support of Public Worship, (the usual pew rents, offerings and subscriptions for the regular maintenance of the Parish)	$82,977 11
All other contributions for Parish Purposes (special or extraordinary, for repairs, building, or whatever is not included under the previous head)	33,204 73
Total for Parish Purposes	$116,181 84
Total for all purposes	$178,640 56

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE

ON THE

Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses.

The Board of Audit and Finance report the amount required for the Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses to be thirty-two hundred dollars, and have made the following assessments:

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	$20 00	$5 00	$25 00
Barrington	St. John's Church	20 00	5 00	25 00
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	150 00	35 00	185 00
"	Trinity Church	30 00	7 00	37 00
Central Falls	St. George's Church	2 00	1 00	3 00
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Ch.	1 00	1 00	2 00
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	5 00	1 00	6 00
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	80 00	15 00	95 00
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	8 00	2 00	10 00
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	1 00	1 00	2 00
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	1 00	1 00	2 00
Lonsdale	Christ Church	95 00	20 00	115 00
Manton	St. Peter's Church	5 00	1 00	6 00
Manville	Emmanuel Church	16 00	4 00	20 00
Narragansett Pier	St. Peter's Church	15 00	5 00	20 00
Newport	Emmanuel Church	40 00	10 00	50 00
"	Trinity Church	315 00	75 00	390 00
"	Zion Church	45 00	10 00	55 00
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	148 00	32 00	180 00
"	Trinity Church	56 00	14 00	70 00
Pontiac	All Saint's Chapel	8 00	2 00	10 00

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	$8 00	$2 00	$10 00
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Ch.	117 00	25 00	143 00
"	Christ Church	5 00	1 00	6 00
"	Church of the Epiphany.	15 00	3 00	18 00
"	Church of the Messiah.	10 00	2 00	12 00
"	Church of the Redeemer	30 00	7 00	37 00
"	Church of the Saviour..	12 00	3 00	15 00
"	Grace Church	390 00	90 00	480 00
"	St. Gabriel's Church...	16 00	4 00	20 00
"	St. James's Church....	12 00	3 00	15 00
"	St. John's Church.....	365 00	85 00	450 00
"	St. Stephen's Church...	235 00	55 00	290 00
South Portsmouth.	St. Mary's Church.....	8 00	2 00	10 00
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	10 00	3 00	13 00
Warren	St. Mark's Church.....	70 00	15 00	85 00
Westerly	Christ Church.....	95 00	20 00	115 00
Wickford	St. Paul's Church.....	53 00	12 00	65 00
Woonsocket	St. James's Church....	88 00	20 00	108 00
		$2,600 00	$600 00	$3,200 00

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 13th, 1881.

Dr. *Convention Expenses (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.				1880.			
June 8.	To balance from old account,		$124 99	June 7.	By assessment, June, 1878 on—		
12.	" paid John G. McMcKay, for services attending Convention,		10 00		St. Philip's Church, Crompton,		$1 80
Aug. 2.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary of the Convention, salary,		100 00		St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,		1 80
19.	" paid Providence Press Co., bill for printing Journals, etc.,		266 38		Zion Church, Newport,		10 80
Sept. 1.	" paid Providence Press Co., for printing Journal of 1833,		25 00		By assessment, June, 1879, on—		
	" paid for book of blank receipts,		4 50		St. Philip's Church, Crompton,		2 00
Nov. 17.	" paid Lloyd W. Wells, Treasurer of the General Convention,		147 00		St. Michael's Church, Bristol,		28 00
Dec. 2.	" paid Franklin Mutual Fire Insurance Co., for renewal of insurance policy on dwelling house in Crompton,		12 19	29.	By assessment, June, 1880, on—		
1881.					St. George's Church, Central Falls,		2 00
Feb. 21.	" paid city of Providence for sewer assessment in 1875, on the estate corner of Benefit and Transit streets, with interest from March 19, 1876,		128 38	July 28.	Emmanuel Church, Newport,		12 00
Mar. 29.	" paid Providence Mutual Fire Insurance Co., for assessment on Policy No. 53,958, on Church of the Saviour,	$16 20			St. Mark's Church, Warren,		18 00
	" paid for assessment on Policy No. 49,275, on St. Peter's Church, Manton,	24 00	40 20		Trinity Church, Newport,		84 00
May 18.	" paid Providence Mutual Fire Insurance Co., for premium on Policy No. 58,662, on St. Peter's Church, Manton,		80 00		Grace Church, Providence,		98 00
27.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary, for postage, express, etc.,		3 00		Christ Church, Lonsdale,		24 00
	" paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, travelling expenses for 1880,		100 00	Aug. 2.	Christ Church, Providence,		3 00
				7.	St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,		4 00
				9.	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,		15 00
					Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,		4 00
				11.	Church of the Messiah, Providence,		3 00
				12.	St. John's Chapel, Ashton,		5 00
				18.	Church of the Redeemer, Providence,		8 00
				20.	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,		61 00
				Sept. 7.	St. John's Church, Barrington,		5 00
				9.	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,		3 00
				23.	Christ Church, Westerly,		24 00
				Oct. 6.	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,		24 00
					By assessment, June, 1879, on—		
					St. James's Church, Woonsocket,		19 00
				20.	By amount transferred from the Borland fund, per order of the Convention, June, 1880,		123 42
					By assessment, June, 1880, on—		
					St. John's Church, Providence,		96 00
				1881.			
				Mar. 29.	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,		18 00
				April 16.	St. James's Church, Providence,		4 00
					Church of the Saviour, Providence,		4 00
				18.	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,		40 00
					Church of the Epiphany, Providence,		4 00
				May 14.	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,		33 00
				16.	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,		3 00
Amount carried forward,			$1,041 64	Amount carried forward,			$785 82

Dr. *Convention Expenses (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer*—CONTINUED. *Cr*

Amount brought forward,		$1,041 64	Amount brought forward,		$785 82
			June 23.	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	2 00
			8.	By assessment June, 1880, on—	
				Trinity Church, Bristol,	9 00
				St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	40 00
				St. Thomas's Church, Greenville, for assessments June, 1875-76-77-79 and 1880,	9 00
				Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, for assessments June, 1875 and 1876,	3 00
				St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston, for assessments June, 1878-79-80,	6 80
				St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown, for assessments June, 1878-79-80,	5 80
				By assessment June, 1877, on—	
				Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	20 00
				By assessment June, 1880, on—	
				All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	4 00
				To balance to new account due the Treasurer,	156 22
		$1,041 64			$1,041 64

1881.
June 14. To balance due the Treasurer to new account, $156 22

JAMES M. CROSS, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 11th, 1881.

Dr. *Bishop's Salary, (Diocese of R. I.) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.		
June 10.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, balance of salary to April 1, 1880,	$300 00
July 29.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	750 00
Sept. 11.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	250 00
Nov. 5.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	500 00
Nov. 29.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	150 00
Dec. 3.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	850 00
1881.		
Jan. 17.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	250 00
May 10.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	1,250 00
June 6.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	500 00
June 10.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, balance of salary to April 1, 1881,	500 00
Amount carried forward,		$5,300 00

1880.		
June 7.	By balance from old account,	$281 57
	By assessment June, 1878, on—	
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	3 60
	St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	2 25
	Zion Church, Newport,	54 90
	By assessment June, 1879, on—	
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	3 00
	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	140 00
July 28.	By assessment June, 1880, on—	
	St. George's Church, Central Falls,	4 00
	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	35 00
	St. Mark's Church, Warren,	55 00
	Trinity Church, Newport,	240 00
	Grace Church, Providence,	280 00
	Christ Church, Lonsdale,	70 00
Aug. 2.	Christ Church, Providence,	5 00
7.	St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	10 00
9.	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	45 00
10.	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	10 00
11.	Church of the Messiah, Providence,	8 00
12.	St John's Chapel, Ashton,	15 00
18.	Church of the Redeemer,	20 00
20.	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	175 00
Sept. 7.	St. John's Church, Barrington,	15 00
9.	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	5 00
23.	Christ Church, Westerly,	70 00
Oct. 6.	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	70 00
	By assessment June, 1879, on—	
	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	70 00
20.	By assessment June, 1880, on—	
	St. John's Church, Providence,	275 00
Dec. 2.	By received from Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	1,100 00
1881.		
Mar. 29.	By assessment June, 1880, on—	
	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	55 00
Apr. 16.	St. James's Church, Providence,	10 00
	Church of the Saviour, Providence,	10 00
18.	Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	13 00
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	118 00
Amount carried forward,		$3,168 32

Dr. *Bishop's Salary, (Diocese of R. I.,) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,	$5,300 00	Amount brought forward,	$3,168 32
		May 10. By received from Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	1,250 00
		14. By assessment June, 1880, on—	
		All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	95 00
		16. St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	5 00
		23. St. Peter's Church, Manton,	4 00
		June 6. By received of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	199 80
		8. By assessment June, 1880, on—	
		Trinity Church, Bristol,	25 00
		St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	125 00
		By assessment June, 1877, on—	
		Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	73 00
		St. Thomas's Church, Greenville, for assessments June, 1875-76-77-79 and 1880.	12 50
		Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, for assessments June, 1875 and 1876,	10 00
		St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston, for assessments June, 1878-79, and 1880,	14 85
		St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown, for assessments June, 1878-79 and 1880,	8 25
		By assessment June, 1880, on—	
		All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	10 00
		10. By received of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	150 20
		To balance due the Treasurer to new account,	49 08
	$5,300 00		$5,300 00
		1881.	
		June 14. To balance to new account,	$49 08

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

Examined and found correct.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *The Borland Fund, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.			1880.		
July 28.	To transfer to the Treasurer of the Convention, per resolution passed June, 1880, said sum being the taxes assessed on real estate in Somerset, Mass., from 1876 to 1879, on the Borland Estate,	$123 42	June 8.	By balance of old account,	$2,608 04
1881.			Nov. 3.	By note of William P. Hood, of Somerset, Mass., dated March 1, 1880, payable one year after date, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, secured by mortgage on real estate,	600 00
June 14.	By balance to new account,	3,264 30		By 6 months' interest on W. P. Hood's note, to September 1, 1880,	18 00
			5.	By 6 months' interest on note of Ruth A. Davis, to October 30, 1880,	36 00
			15.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	20 00
			1881.		
			Jan. 19.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	10 00
			Feb. 18.	By 6 months' interest on note of W. P. Hood, to March 1, 1881,	18 00
			Apr. 16.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,	10 00
			30.	By 6 months' interest on note of Ruth A. Davis to April 30, 1881,	36 00
				By interest on deposit in R. I. H. Trust Co.,	31 68
		$3,387 72			$3,387 72

This Fund consists of deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	$816 30
5 shares in Boston and Albany Railroad Co., $100 each,	500 00
Note of Ruth Ann Davis, secured by mortgage, interest at 6 per cent.,	1,200 00
Note of William P. Hood, secured by mortgage, interest at 6 per cent.,	600 00
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	148 00
	$3,264 30

1881.
June 14. By balance to new account, $3,264 30

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find all correctly stated.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
Board of Audit and Finance.

Dr. *Legacy of Mary A. and Abby A. Goddard, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.			1880.		
Jan. 27.	To paid C. E. Boon, Treasurer of Board of Missions,	$40 40	June 8.	By balance of old account,	$1,000 00
1881.			July 15.	By dividend on deposit,	20 00
June 14.	By balance to new account,	1,000 00	1881.		
			Jan. 15.	By dividend on deposit,	20 40
		$1,040 40			$1,040 40
	This Legacy consists of deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	$1,000 00	1881.		
			June 14.	By balance to new account,	$1,000 00

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

We have this day examined the above account and the securities therein named and find all correctly stated.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Bequest of Sarah U. Goddard, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.			1880.		
May 25.	To deposit in Providence Institution for Savings, to the credit of the fund for Church or Missionary station in or near Jackson village, R. I., per order of the Bishop,	$100 00	June 8.	By balance from old account,	$100 00
			1881.		
June 14.	By balance to new account,	100 00	May 18.	By received of William Goddard, Executor,	100 00
		$200 00			$200 00
			1881.		
			June 14.	By balance to new account,	$100 00

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

Examined and found correct.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Fund for the Benefit of a Protestant Episcopal Church or Missionary Station in or near Jackson Village, R. I., in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer, Trustee.

Dr.			*Cr.*		
1881.			1880.		
June 14.	To balance to new account,	$427 58	June 8.	By balance from old account,	$314 88
			1881.		
			Jan. 1.	By interest to date,	12 70
			May 25.	By amount from the estate of Sarah U. Goddard, per order of the Convention,	100 00
		$427 58			$427 58
	This Fund consits of deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	$427 58	1881.		
			June 14.	By balance to new account,	$427 58

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

We have this day examined the above account and the securities therein named, and find all correctly stated.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer and Trustee.

Dr. *Legacy of Lydia Mowry, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1880.			1880.		
Nov. 30.	To paid E. O. Angell, Treasurer of St. Peter's Church, Manton,	$18 80	June 8.	By balance from old account,	$940 00
			Oct. 31.	By interest on deposit,	18 80
1881.			1881.		
May 23.	To paid E. O. Angell, Treasurer of St. Peter's Church, Manton,	18 80	April 30.	By interest on deposit,	18 80
June 14.	To balance to new account,	940 00			
		$977 60			$977 60
	The Legacy consists of deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	$940 00	1881.		
			June 14.	By balance to new account,	$940 00

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

We have this day examined the above account and the securities therein named, and find all correctly stated.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND.
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.			1880.		
June 6.	To paid *Rev. A. T. Parsons*, Missionary at Valley Falls and Central Falls, July 1st, 1880, $125.00; October 1st, 1880, $125.00; January 1st, 1881, $125.00; April 1st, 1881, $125.00,	$500 00	June 5.	By balance old account,	$51 52
	To paid *Rev. Benjamin Eastwood*, Missionary at Pleasant View, Pawtucket, July 1st, 1880, $100.00; October 1st, 1880, $100.00; January 1st, 1881, $100.00; April 1st, 1881, $100.00,	400 00	July 1.	Transfer from Bowen Fund,	500 00
	To paid *Rev. S. H. Webb*, Missionary at South Providence, July 1st, 1880, $150.00; October 1st, 1880, $115.00; January 1st, 1881, $100.00; April 1st, 1881, $100.00,	465 00	Sept. 29.	By net of $650 note, endorsed by Bishop Clark, four months, September 28, at Merchants National Bank,	638 81
	To paid *Rev. W. I. Magill*, Missionary at Greenville and Manton, October 1st, 1880, $85.00; January 1st, 1881, $100.00; April 1st, 1881, $100.00,	285 00	1881.		
	To paid *Mr. C. H. Baggs*, Missionary at Greenville, July 1st, 1880,	50 00	Jan. 1.	By note of $700, note endorsed by Bishop Clark, four months from Dec. 29, at Union Bank,	685 77
	To paid *Rev. Henry Hague*, Missionary at Cumberland Hill, July 1st, 1880, $25.00; October 1st, 1880, $25.00; January 1st, 1881, $25.00; April 1st, 1881, $25.00,	100 00	27.	By cash from Mary and Abby A. Goddard Fund,	40 40
	To paid *Rev. J. M. C. Fulton*, Missionary at Elmwood, July 1st, 1880, $50.00; October 1st, 1880, $50.00; January 1st, 1881, $50.00; April 1st, 1881, $50.00,	200 00	Mar. 29.	By net of $700 note endorsed by Bishop Clark, four months, March 28, at Merchants National Bank,	686 63
	To paid *Rev. W. F. B. Jackson*, Missionary at St. James's Church, Providence, July 1st, 1880, $50.00; October 1st, 1880, $50.00; January 1st, 1881, $50.00; April 1st, 1881, $50.00,	200 00	June 6.	By total contributions as per schedule herewith,	2,585 29
	To paid *Rev. C. W. Colton*, Missionary at Cranston, July 1st, 1880, $8.33; October 1st, 1880, $25.00; January 1st, 1871, $25.00; April 1st, 1881, $25.00,	83 33			
	To paid *Rev. T. H. Cocroft*, Missionary at Crompton and Phenix, July 1st, 1880, $125.00; October 1st, 1880, $125.00; January 1st, 1881, $125.00; April 1st, 1881, $125.00,	500 00			
	Total amount paid Missionaries, carried forward,	$2,783 33		Amount carried forward,	$5,188 42

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

	Amount of debt brought forward,	$2,783 33	Amount brought forward,	$5,188 42
1881.				
Jan. 31.	To paid note at Merchants National Bank,	650 00		
April 21.	To paid note at Union Bank,	700 00		
June 6.	To balance cash on hand to new account,	1,055 09		
		$5,188 42		$5,188 42
			June 6. By balance cash from old account,	$1,055 09
	Amount due missionaries for quarter ending this month,	$700 00		
	Note at Merchants National Bank,	700 00		
		$1,400 00		
	Cash on hand,	1,055 09		
	Additional amount required to meet indebtedness,	$344 91		

PROVIDENCE, June 6, 1881.

Examined and found correct.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
Board of Audit and Finance.

PROVIDENCE, June 6, 1881.

E. & O. E.

CHARLES E. BOON,
Treasurer.

CONTRIBUTORS.	1880. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1881. Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Total.
St. John's Chapel, Ashton												$15 00		$15 00
St. John's Church, Barrington										$12 50				12 50
St. Michael's Church, Bristol	$55 00				$50 00							50 00		155 00
St. George's Church, Central Falls							$7 00			5 39		5 34		17 73
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston				$5 00			6 00			10 00				21 00
St. Philip's Church, Crompton		$2 50			2 00		2 00			8 10				14 60
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich	58 72					$92 94					$120 00			271 66
St. Thomas's Church, Greenville								$6 34				8 46		14 80
Christ Church, Lonsdale							36 91					57 48		94 39
Christ Church Sunday School, Lonsdale												35 00		35 00
St. Peter's Church, Manton		3 00						2 71				4 72		10 43
Emmanuel Church, Manville									$10 85					10 85
All Saints' Chapel, Newport						102 32								102 32
Emmanuel Church, Newport												19 30		19 30
Zion Church, Newport							11 20							11 20
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket			$25 00				50 00			16 65	25 00			116 65
Trinity Church, Pawtucket										24 67				24 67
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket		3 53			3 18		2 50			4 05		1 50		14 76
All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac	5 83											5 00	$3 00	13 83
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth	6 00													6 00
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence										14 75	60 97			75 72
Christ Church, "		5 00			5 00		5 00			5 00				20 00
Grace Church, "										76 00	424 00			500 00
Church of the Epiphany, "				4 28			5 07			5 00		5 65		20 00
Church of the Messiah, "											20 23			20 23
Church of the Redeemer, "											19 44			19 44
Church of the Saviour, "											10 50			10 50
St. Gabriel's Church "					2 54									2 54
St. James's Church, "					1 90		4 00			3 50		13 60		23 00
St. John's Church, "							139 61					391 13		530 74
St. Stephen's Church, "										200 00				200 00
St. Mark's Church Sunday School, Warren	18 60						15 00							33 60
St. Mark's Church Sewing Society							44 00							44 00
Christ Church, Westerly											17 59			17 16
St. Paul's Church, Wickford							25 38					17 16		42 97
St. James's Church, Woonsocket										37 70				37 70
St. Philip's Chapel, Valley Falls				2 00			2 50			1 50				6 00
	$144 15	$14 03	$25 00	$11 28	$64 62	$195 26	$356 17	$9 05	$10 85	$424 81	$697 30	$629 77	$3 00	$2,585 29

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Superannuated and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in Account with Charles T. Dorrance, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.				1880.		
June 11.	To allowances to beneficiaries, paid quarterly during the year ending at date:			June 5.	By balance from old account,	$18,624 23
	To No. 2,	$400 00		1881.		
	To No. 3,	150 00		June 11.	By collections in parishes as below:	
	To No. 4,	400 00			For year ending June 5, 1880—	
	To No. 5,	225 00			Grace Church, Providence,	$25 00
	To No. 6,	150 00			Trinity Church, Bristol,	3 00
			$1,325 00		St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	6 00
	" cash paid for stationery,		2 25			34 00
			$1,327 25		For year ending June 11, 1881—	
	To balance to new account on hand and invested as follows:				Trinity Church, Newport,	133 50
	In Providence Institution for Savings,	$6,103 69			St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	12 60
	In Rhode Island do. do.,	360 00			Emmanuel Church, Newport,	19 40
	In People's Savings Bank,	3,385 99			Emmanuel Church, Manville,	5 25
	In Registered United States Bonds, 4 per cent.,	$4,000 00			Church of the Epiphany, Elmwood,	3 74
	do. do. 4½ per cent.,	4,000 00			St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	16 76
			8,000 00		Christ Church, Providence,	3 00
	Cash on deposit in R. I. H. Trust Co.,	1,022 89			St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	10 00
			$18,872 57		St. Mark's Church, Warren,	12 75
					St. John's Church, Barrington,	6 14
					All Saints' Church, Pontiac,	5 00
					Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	7 84
					St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	54 07
					Trinity Church, Bristol,	4 24
					St. George's Church, Lincoln,	4 22
					St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	8 58
					St. John's Church, Ashton,	5 00
					St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	5 70
					St. John's Church, Providence,	447 45
					Grace Church, Providence,	25 00
					Church of the Saviour, Providence,	8 60
					Christ Church, Lonsdale,	20 55
						819 39
					To income from investments—	
					From deposit in People's Savings Bank,	$131 46
	Amount carried forward,		$20,199 82		Amount carried forward,	$19,477 62

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

1881. Amount brought forward,	$20,199 82	1881. Amount brought forward,	$19,477 62
		From deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	237 00
		" United States Bonds,	340 00
		" cash in R. I. H. Trust Co.,	13 74
			722 20
	$20,199 82		$20,199 82

We have this day examined the above account and the securities therein named, and find all correctly stated.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 11th, 1881.

1881.
June 11. By balance on hand, $18,872 57

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Treasurer.*

E. & O. E.

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., etc., would respectfully report:

The number of beneficiaries of this Fund during the past year was five, an increase of two since the last meeting of the Convention. A recent death adds still another family to those now receiving aid, so that the Board enters upon their work for the coming year with six families in great part dependent upon the quarterly allowances received from this source, amounting in all to the annual sum of seventeen hundred and fifty dollars ($1,750). To enable their Treasurer to meet these payments without drawing upon the principal of the Fund, the Board calls upon all the parishes of the Diocese to make efforts to increase their contributions for this object, feeling confident that when the need is known the help will be forthcoming.

Since the Treasurer's account was closed, on the 11th inst., the following contributions have been received: From St. Michael's Church, Bristol, $30; St. Philip's Church, Crompton, $2.50; All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, $34; St. Stephen's Church, Providence, $80; and Christ Church, Westerly, $25.50.

It is with much regret that the Board find themselves again obliged to report a long list of Parishes failing to contribute to a Fund so worthy to be maintained, and that, too, in spite of the Canon making such contribution obligatory. The following are the delinquent Parishes:

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston; St. Mary's Church, East Providence; St. Thomas's Church, Greenville; St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown; St. Peter's Church, Manton; Zion Church, Newport; Church of the Messiah, Providence; Church of the Redeemer, Providence; St. Gabriel's Church, Providence; St. James's Church, Providence; Trinity Church, Scituate; Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

For the Board,

CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

PROVIDENCE, June 14th, 1881.

The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, Regarding Principal.

Dr. *Cr.*

1880.				1880.			
June 6.	To balance to new account, consisting of R. I. H. Trust Co., participation account $2,049,	$54,010 96		June 6.	By balance old account,		$60,134 57
	To Providence Institution for Savings, deposit,	1,403 89		23.	By subscriptions to this fund:		
	To Peoples Savings Bank, deposit,	4,000 00			St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	$27 28	
	To subscription note,	500 00			St. Andrew's Church, Phenix,	3 00	30 28
	R. I. H. Trust Co., deposit,	250 00					
			$60,164 85				$60,164 85

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

We have this day examined the above account and the securities therein named and find all correctly stated.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE June 6, 1881.

E. & O. E.

WM. GODDARD,
JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
} *Trustees.*

The Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention in account with William Goddard, John B. Anthony and Charles Morris Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, Regarding Income.

Dr. *Cr.*

1880.			1880.		
Dec. 2.	To amount paid J. M. Cross, Treasurer,	$1,100 00	June 6.	By balance old account,	$75 92
1881.			July 1.	By coupons, 6 months' interest on $1,500 United States 6s, 1881,	45 00
May 10.	To amount paid J. M. Cross, Treasurer,	1,250 00	Dec. 2.	By 6 months' interest R. I. H. Trust Co., participation $51,359.68,	1,027 18
June 4.	To amount paid J. M. Cross, Treasurer, balance of income,	199 80	1881.		
10.	To amount paid J. M. Cross, Treasurer, additional contributions,	150 20	May 3.	By premium on sale $1,500 United States 6s, 1881, and 6 months' interest to July 1st, next,	103 12
			10.	By 6 months' interest R. I. H. Trust Co., participation, $51,709.68,	1,034 18
			10.	By 6 months' interest on Peoples Savings Bank deposit,	80 00
			10.	By 1 year's interest on Providence Institution for Savings deposit,	36 28
			June 4.	By 1 year's interest on subscription note of $500,	30 00
				By contribution by friends on account of deficiency of income,	250 20
				By interest on current account R. I. H. Trust Co.,	18 12
		$2,700 00			$2,700 00

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1881.

Examined and found correct.

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 6, 1881.

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CHARLES MORRIS SMITH, } *Trustees.*

PLACES.	Number.	PARISHES.	Amount secured by mortgage on church building.	Amount incurred for erection or improvement of church building, not secured by mortgage.	Amount incurred for erection or improvement of rectory or buildings other than the church.	Amount arising from deficiency of income to meet current expenses.	Amount of property, other than church building, available for payment of debt.	Total Debt.
Ashton	1	St. John's Chapel						
Barrington	2	St. John's Church						
Bristol	3	St. Michael's Church		$2,340			$2,500	$2,340
"	4	Trinity Church		4,000			350	4,000
Burrillville	5	Calvary Church						
Central Falls	6	St. George's Church	$3,600		$5,500			9,100
Cranston	7	St. Bartholomew's Church						
Crompton	8	St. Philip's Church						
Cumberland Hill	9	St. Mary's Church						
East Greenwich	10	St. Luke's Church		500		$700	5,000	1,200
East Providence	11	St. Mary's Church						
" "	12	St. Luke's Church						
Greenville	13	St. Thomas's Church						
Jamestown	14	St. Matthew's Church						
Lonsdale	15	Christ Church						
Manton	16	St. Peter's Church				300	Annual, 38	300
Middletown	17	Chapel of Holy Cross						
Manville	18	Emmanuel Church						
Narragansett Pier	19	St. Peter's by the Sea			1,200			1,200
Newport	20	Emmanuel Church			4,000		12,000	4,000
"	21	Trinity Church						
"	22	Zion Church	5,000			1,275		6,275
Pawtucket	23	St. Paul's Church			7,770		11,000	7,770
"	24	Trinity Church			8,000	2,520	6,000	10,520
"	25	Church of the Good Shepherd	1,340		3,700	722		5,762
Phenix	26	St. Andrew's Mission						
Pontiac	27	All Saints' Chapel						

Portsmouth	28	St. Paul's Church				115		115
Providence	29	All Saints' Memorial Church						
"	30	Christ Church						2,050
"	31	Church of the Epiphany		2,050				
"	32	Church of the Messiah						
"	33	Church of the Redeemer				119	1,000	119
"	34	Church of the Saviour						
"	35	Grace Church				1,100	365	2,100
"	36	St. Gabriel's Church	1,000					
"	37	St. James's Church				3,190	38,285	3,190
"	38	St. John's Church						
"	39	St. Stephen's Church						
Scituate	40	Trinity Church						
South Portsmouth	41	St. Mary's Church						
Valley Falls	42	St. Philip's Church						
Wakefield	43	Church of the Ascension						
Warren	44	St. Mark's Church						
Westerly	45	Christ Church						
Wickford	46	St. Paul's Church						
Woonsocket	47	St. James's Church						

Whole number of blanks sent to the parishes to be returned with a statement of indebtedness	47
Number of statements returned to the Board	44
Number of parishes free from debt	28
Whole amount of debt secured by mortgage on church buildings	$10,940
Whole amount of debt incurred for erection or improvement of church building, but not secured by mortgage thereon.	$8,890
Whole amount of debt incurred for erection or improvement of rectory, or building other than the church	$30,170
Whole amount of debt arising from deficiency of income to meet current expenses	$10,041
Total debt of all kinds	$60,041
Total amount of property, other than church building, available for payment of debt	$38,253

WM. GROSVENOR,
F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
Board of Audit and Finance.

PROVIDENCE, June 13th, 1881.

RULES OF ORDER

AND

A STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS

OF THE

Convention of the Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

I. RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the first day of the Convention, after Divine Service, and a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention shall proceed at once to business, and shall remain in session until the business for the first day is ended.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. The members of the Convention shall sit in pews contiguous to one another—the delegates of each church occupying one pew.

4. No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he have leave or be unable to attend.

5. All special committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

7. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall arise and with due respect address himself to the President, and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.

8. When two members chance to rise at the same time, the President shall determine to whom the preference shall be given; and all questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

9. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave.

10. No motion shall be acted upon until seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

11. When the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private conversation to the interruption of the Convention.

12. Every member who is in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question, or excused by the President.

13. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to postpone, to amend, to divide, or to commit.

14. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

15. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the minutes, when required by one-fifth of the members present.

16. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

17. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

18. All other questions shall be decided *viva voce*, or by hand vote, unless a ballot be called for by two members.

19. When any vote is taken by orders, the names of the clergy and parishes voting in the affirmative and negative respectively, shall be distinctly announced before the result is declared, and shall be entered on the minutes of the Convention.

20. In all elections by ballot, the name of each clergyman entitled to a vote shall be called: whereupon he shall deposit his vote in a receptacle in charge of tellers, who shall remain in some convenient place until all have voted. The lay vote shall be received in the same manner. The tellers shall report to the Chair the number of votes cast, the number necessary for a choice, and the number for the respective candidates. The President or Chairman shall thereupon announce the result of the ballot. This report shall be placed on file.

21. The sittings of the Convention shall be open to all persons who choose to attend, unless otherwise ordered in the Convention.

22. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning at the opening of the Convention, and, if necessary, corrected; and before the rising of the Convention, the proceedings of the session on the last day shall be read.

23. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

24. All propositions for the adoption, amendment or repeal of Canons, or of Rules of Order, or of Standing Order of Business, shall, before action thereon, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

25. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

26. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

II. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

After the organization of the Convention, as provided for by the Constitution, the following Order of Business shall be observed the first day of the session.

I. The business incident to the organization of the Convention, embracing the consideration of application of Churches and Parishes for admission into union with the Convention; Reports from special committees, appointed at a preceding session of the Convention, etc.

II. Reading of the Bishop's Address.

III. Regular Annual Reports in the following order.

1. Report of the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report of the Board of Audit and Finance.
3. Report of the Registrar.
4. Report from the Standing Committee.
5. Report from the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
6. Report from the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
7. Report from the Depository Board.
8. Report from the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.
9. Report from the Board of Missions.
10. Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

IV. Consideration of the state of the Church in the Diocese.

V. Introduction of business for reference to Special Committees.

VI. Parochial Reports.

The following Order of Business shall be observed for the second day of the Convention:

I. Reports of Committees appointed the previous day.

II. Elections:

1. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
2. Of Board of Missions.
3. Of Treasurer.
4. Of Board of Audit and Finance.
5. Of Registrar.
6. Of Standing Committee.
7. Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
8. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
9. Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes,
10. Board of Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.
11. Depository Board.

III. Miscellaneous.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

At a Parish meeting of..... Church..... .....regularly called in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of the Parish, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3.....

4.....

were chosen Delegates to represent said Parish in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, to be held on the second Tuesday in June, 188 .

At the same meeting, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3.....

4.....

were chosen substitutes.

Attest,

.....
.....
} WARDENS.

.....CLERK.

☞ This form, when filled up, must be signed by the Church Wardens or Parish Clerk. A copy must be forwarded to the Secretary, another presented at the Convention.

PAROCHIAL REPORT

OF

.....CHURCH.....

THE REV.....RECTOR.

BAPTISMS—INFANTS, ; ADULTS, ; TOTAL, . CONFIRMED, .

COMMUNICANTS—ADDED, NEW, ; BY REMOVAL, ;

TOTAL ADDED, . DIED, . REMOVED, ; PRESENT NUMBER, .

MARRIAGES, BURIALS,

SUNDAY SCHOOL—TEACHERS AND OFFICERS, . SCHOLARS, .

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, - - - - - .....

For Domestic Missions, - - - - - .....

For Foreign Missions, - - - - - .....

For Indian Missions, - - - - - .....

For Home Missions to Colored People, - - - .....

For Education for the Ministry, - - .....

For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., ...

For .....

For .....

For all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, - - - - - - .....

Total, - - - - - - - - .....

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions, for the support of Public Worship, - - - - .....

All other Contributions, - - - - .....

Total for Parish Purposes, - - - - .....

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

Adopted June 15th, 1881.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, being the Protestant Episcopal Church within the limits of the State of Rhode Island, shall be known and distinguished as the "DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND."

ARTICLE II.

This Church accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges the authority of its canons.

ARTICLE III.

1. The Convention, or representative body of this Diocese, shall consist of such clergymen as have been actually and canonically resident and officiating therein for one year next preceding the meeting of the Convention, and of lay delegates not exceeding four from each parish in union with this Convention.

2. Other clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese shall be entitled to all the privileges of the members of the Convention, except the right to vote. No clergyman entitled to a seat and a vote shall be deprived thereof by reason of advanced age or infirm health or temporary absence.

3. Only communicants of this Church shall be members of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

1. New parishes may, by a vote of the Convention, be admitted into union with it on presenting written evidence, under the authority of their wardens and vestry, that they have been duly organized

parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese for the space of one year, and have maintained regular public worship.

2. No parish shall be held to be duly organized unless it has given written notice to the Bishop and the Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, that at a time and place designated a number of persons, not less than ten, residents of said place or neighborhood, being males of full age, came together and signed the following article of organization: "We, whose names are hereunto affixed, conscientiously attached to the Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and earnestly desirous of securing its influences for ourselves and others, do hereby associate and organize ourselves as —— Parish of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and declare that we accede to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; and, to perfect such organization, we have elected the following persons Wardens and Vestrymen for the year ending Easter Monday next." And further, the above applicants shall furnish satisfactory evidence that the Church property now or hereafter to be used for public worship, is or shall be held in trust for the Protestant Episcopal Church.

3. In case the parish to be organized is formed within the limits of any existing parish or parishes, the written consent of the Rector or Rectors of said parish or parishes must be first obtained, and be filed with and approved by the aforesaid Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or, if it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee, acting with the Bishop, that said consent is without due reason withheld, they may give the required consent.

4. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee that a parish for two years last past has had no place of worship, or has maintained no regular public services, or has failed for three years last past, after notice from the Treasurer of the Convention, to pay its quota of the Bishop's salary, and of the Convention expenses assessed upon it, that parish shall be declared extinct and be stricken from the list of parishes in union with the Convention.

5. When it shall appear by the annual report of the Treasurer of

the Convention, that a parish for the year last past has not paid the full amount assessed upon it for Bishop's salary and Convention expenses, then such parish shall not be entitled to vote in the Convention then in session, nor at any subsequent session thereof, until said overdue assessments, with the interest accrued thereon, shall have been paid in full.

6. In the organization of any parish, where pews are owned by individuals or a corporation, provision must be made whereby said pews may be taxed for their proportion of an amount sufficient for the support of public worship in the parish.

ARTICLE V.

1. A Session of the Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the second Tuesday of June in each year, at such hour and place as the Convention at its previous annual meeting shall determine. The Bishop, at his discretion, may call special meetings of the Convention; it shall become his duty so to do upon request of the Standing Committee. In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate, of the absence for six months of the Bishop from the Diocese, or of the prolonged disability of the Bishop, a special meeting of the Convention may be called by the Standing Committee. At least three weeks' notice of such special Session shall be given to each clergyman constitutionally a member of the Convention, and to the vestry of each parish in union with the Convention, by the Secretary of the Convention, or, in his absence, by some other person appointed by the Bishop, or, as in the above cases, by the Standing Committee, to act in the Secretary's stead. No business shall be transacted at any special Session of the Convention other than that specified in the notice by which such Session has been called.

2. The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, but if there be no Bishop, or the Bishop be absent, a President shall be chosen from among the Presbyters of the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

Sessions of the Convention shall be opened with the Celebration of the Holy Communion, and there shall be a sermon or charge from

the Bishop, or sermon by some preacher appointed by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; after which the President and Secretary of the Convention shall take their places, and the Convention be called to order. The Secretary shall then call the roll of clerical and of lay members entitled to seats, after which the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. The list of clergy shall be furnished to the Secretary by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the Standing Committee, and shall specify those who have a right to vote. The list of lay delegates shall be made up by the Secretary from uncontested certificates of election from parishes declared by the Standing Committee to be on the roll of the Convention; said certificates being signed by the wardens or clerk of the parish and delivered to the Secretary before the organization of the Convention. At the Annual Session shall then follow the election of a Secretary for the ensuing year. The following Committees, and such others as the Convention shall at any time by canon add to their number, shall be appointed by the President: namely, a Committee on Credentials, a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, a Committee on Canons, and a Committee on Unfinished Business.

ARTICLE VII.

Members of the Convention shall upon all questions deliberate in one body, except as hereinafter provided, and in voting shall vote as individuals, unless three members shall call for a vote by orders, when the clergy and lay delegates shall vote separately; the lay delegates from each parish being entitled to but one vote, and the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to any action.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Secretary shall be chosen by joint ballot, and remain in office until his successor is chosen. His duty shall be to make minutes of the proceedings of the Convention, to preserve its journal and records, to attest its public acts, to transmit to the Registrar all books and papers relative to its concerns, including the journals of other Dioceses or of the General Convention, which may be in his possession as Secretary, to direct the distribution of the printed

journals of the Diocese among its parishes, and to give due notice of the time and place of the Sessions of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

A Treasurer, who shall be a layman, shall be elected annually, by joint ballot, and continue in office during the pleasure of the Convention. It shall be his duty to receive at each Annual Session of the Convention the assessment upon the parishes for the expenses of the Diocesan and of the General Convention, and for the support of the Episcopate; to pay quarterly to the Bishop the salary pledged to him by this Convention, and to perform such other duties and meet such other demands upon the Treasury as the Convention from time to time may authorize and direct. He shall present to the Convention, at its Annual Session, a report in writing of his receipts and disbursements.

ARTICLE X.

The Standing Committee shall consist of four presbyters and four laymen, communicants of this Church, elected by the Convention at its Annual Session, and continuing in office until their successors are chosen. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and report them yearly to the Convention. A majority shall constitute a quorum, except where it be otherwise required by canon. They shall have power to supply any vacancies which may occur in their own body, or among the officers of the Diocese, during the recess of the Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

1. Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen at the Annual Session of the Convention of this Diocese immediately preceding the regular Triennial Session of the General Convention, and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen.

2. The clergy and laity sitting apart, shall nominate, the clergy the clerical, the laity the lay candidates, by ballot; the lay delegates from each parish having but one vote. These nominations being reported, the clerical nominations to the laity and the lay nominations

to the clergy, those bodies sitting apart, and by ballot shall confirm or reject them, each body reporting its action to the other. Upon request of any two members of the Convention the ballot shall be taken upon each candidate separately. In the event of any rejection another nomination shall be made in manner as before directed. Upon the concurrence of the two bodies the Convention shall reassemble and receive report of the concurrent action, which shall then be declared by the President of the Convention.

3. Substitutes for deputies shall be similarly chosen. In case of the resignation, or failure to occupy his seat, of any deputy, clerical or lay, his place shall be filled by one of the substitutes in the order in which they were chosen; and it shall be the duty of the first chosen of the remaining deputies in each order to notify the substitute of the duty devolved upon him.

ARTICLE XII.

Whenever a Bishop is to be elected in this Diocese, a duly qualified presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States shall be chosen by the Convention at an Annual or Special Session. Clerical and lay delegates shall sit in one body, but shall vote by orders, and a majority of both orders shall determine the choice. At the request of any two members the Convention shall sit with closed doors.

ARTICLE XIII.

Canons for the government of the Diocese, and rules of order for the conducting of business, may be adopted from time to time by the Convention.

ARTICLE XIV.

This Constitution may be altered as follows: At any Annual Session a written amendment to the Constitution may be approved by the Convention, and at the next Annual Session may be adopted by a majority of both orders voting separately; and the Constitution thus amended shall be thenceforth the Constitution of the Diocese of Rhode Island.

THE CANONS OF THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

CANON I.

OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

1. The Missions of the Diocese shall be conducted by a Board of five clergymen and five laymen, of whom three clergymen and two laymen shall be chosen by the Convention at its Annual Session one year, and two laymen and three clergymen the following year.

2. When a ballot is called for in the choice of the Board, each member of the Convention shall vote, in the year when three clergymen and two laymen are to be chosen, for two clergymen and one layman only, and the three clergymen and two laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected; and, in the year when two clergymen and three laymen are to be chosen, each member of the Convention shall vote for one clergyman and two laymen only, and the two clergymen and three laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of a tie vote in any choice, the entire ballot shall be annulled. Vacancies in the Board may be filled by its members.

3. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex-officio* President of the Board, and shall appoint its Missionaries.

4. Parishes or individuals may direct to what Missionary their contributions shall be devoted; provided that no Missionary shall receive from the Board an amount in excess of the salary voted him by the Board, and that any surplus shall go into the general fund.

5. No salary shall be paid to the Missionary of any Station at which a debt for a Church, or Rectory, or other Parish building, shall be hereafter incurred, unless said debt be incurred with the written consent of the Bishop and of the Board of Missions, or until the entire liquidation of the debt. The attention of each Missionary shall be annually called to this section by the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

6. The Treasurer of the Board shall be a layman of the Diocese.

7. At the Annual Session of the Convention the Board shall report its proceedings, its receipts and expenditures, the general condition and prospects of its Missions, and also an estimate of the amount required for its work in the ensuing year, with a proposed apportionment of the amount among the parishes of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1. The Standing Committee may make rules for its government, and for the calling and notifying of its meetings. These rules shall continue in force until altered or repealed by it.

2. The Secretary of the Standing Committee shall hold office until his successor is chosen. He shall call the first meeting of a newly elected Committee in such manner as the rules of the Standing Committee may direct.

CANON III.

There shall be appointed annually by the Convention a Depository Board, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen with the Bishop who shall be *ex-officio* chairman. It shall be the duty of said Board to superintend and control the purchase, publication and distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals, within the Diocese.

CANON IV.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

1. There shall be appointed annually by the Convention, a Board

of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to consist of four laymen and the Bishop who shall be *ex-officio* chairman.

2. This Board shall appoint, from their own number, a Treasurer and Secretary, and shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

3. All applications from parishes in this Diocese, for aid in the building, repairing, or paying for churches, shall be made to this Board; and it shall be the duty of the Board to receive, keep, and pay out, on such conditions as they shall judge most conducive to the extension of the Church, all moneys however contributed and not specially appropriated by the contributors, for the purpose contemplated in this section.

4. This Board may, at their discretion, endeavor to secure in their treasury a permanent fund for the purpose contemplated in the preceding section, by collections in the several churches in the Diocese and by the solicitation of donations and bequests from individuals.

5. It shall be a duty of this Board to give, through the Secretary, their recommendation to all applications which they shall approve for particular parishes; and all funds so collected shall be paid into the treasury of this Board, and used under its direction.

6. Said Trustees may take and hold for the use of the Church in this Diocese, or in any parish or place therein, any property that has been or may be conveyed to them, or to the Convention of this Diocese, for parsonages, glebes, churches or schools, or for the support of any church or school; and they shall manage and dispose of such property according to the direction of the donor or grantor expressed at the time of making the gift or grant; provided that such directions and uses shall be for the benefit of the Church, and not inconsistent with the canons and laws of the General Convention thereof in the United States, or of this Diocese; and in case no directions respecting such property shall be given at the time of making such gift or grant, then they shall manage and dispose of the same in accordance with such directions as may be made from time to time by this Convention.

7. This Board is further authorized, and it shall be their duty, to

receive, hold, and manage, in trust for the Convention, any other property, real or personal, which the Convention may at any time by resolution commit to the Trusteeship of the Board.

8. All moneys or other property given or entrusted to this Board, shall be faithfully applied as designated by the donors, and the Board shall make an annual report to the Convention of its doings, receipts and disbursements.

CANON V.

OF THE BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND ALSO OF SUPERANNUATED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

1. At every Annual Session of the Convention there shall be elected a Board for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased clergymen, and also of Superannuated and Infirm clergymen; which Board shall consist of four laymen, who shall be communicants of the Church, together with the Bishop of the Diocese who shall be *ex-officio* chairman. In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee shall be *ex-officio* a member and chairman of the Board.

2. The funds received by this Board shall consist of collections in churches, and of donations or legacies specially designated for the purposes of this canon; and it is hereby made the duty of each clergyman having charge of a parish, and of the wardens in every vacant parish, to make a collection for this fund on Christmas day, or upon some Sunday prior to the last day of May in each year. All moneys contributed as above specified, shall be invested by the Board in such securities as in their judgment will be safe and productive; and such inventments shall be made in the name of the Board as Trustees.

3. The appropriations from this fund shall be made by the Board in such manner, and in such sums, as they may deem expedient; *provided*, that no appropriation shall be made to the family of a deceased clergyman who was not at the time of his decease canonically resident in this Diocese, unless by and with the advice and

consent of the Standing Committee, given in writing, nor to any superannuated or infirm clergyman who did not continue in the exercise of his sacred duties until providentially disabled.

4. At every Annual Session of the Convention, the Board shall present to that body a report of their receipts, investments and appropriations, for the year preceding.

5. The Board shall have power to appoint such officers and subcommittees, and to enact such by-laws as they may deem necessary for the more convenient and effective discharge of the duties required by this canon.

CANON VI.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. Said Board shall consist of three laymen, of whom one shall be elected each year, and the persons hereafter so elected shall severally hold their office for the period of three years. Said Board shall have in special charge the care and investment of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

2. Said Board shall have power to appoint a Treasurer, who shall continue in office one year, and until a successor is appointed. His accounts shall be closed on the thirty-first day of May, and submitted to the Board, who shall examine and report thereon to the Convention. He shall, under the direction of the Board, pay to the Treasurer of the Convention the income arising from the Episcopal Fund.

CANON VII.

OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Audit and Finance, to consist of three laymen; of whom one shall hold office for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and the Convention at each Annual Session hereafter shall elect one member who shall hold office for the

term of three years: and the said Board shall have authority to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

2. It shall be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Session of the Convention, to audit and examine all accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, and to inspect the securities and investments in his hands belonging to the general funds of the Convention and to the special funds and accounts in his hands; and from time to time advise and instruct the Treasurer as to the sale and re-investment of any securities belonging to the Convention, and as to the care and investment of any funds to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise; and the Treasurer shall not be held responsible by the Convention for any loss or damage it may sustain by reason of any investment or change of investment in its funds made by the Treasurer under the written advice and instruction of said Board.

3. It shall also be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Session of the Convention, to audit and examine the accounts and vouchers and to inspect the securities and investments of each of the Boards of Trustees and Commissions who now have, or to whom may hereafter be given the charge and care of any funds belonging to this Convention.

4. It shall also be the duty of said Board to present at each Annual Session of the Convention, a report showing the amount the Board estimate will be required to be raised by assessment for the Bishop's salary and the Convention expenses for that year, and to recommend the sums to be assessed by the Convention on the several parishes in union with it. Said assessments shall be due and payable in two equal amounts, viz.: one half thereof *on the first day of July following, and the remainder thereof on the first day of January next thereafter;* and in case said assessments are not paid in full on or before the aforesaid days, then it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Convention to collect legal interest thereon until said assessments are paid in full.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer, under the direction and approval of said Board, to take possession of, hold and manage all property, real and personal, (not now in the hands of any special

Board of Trustees,) belonging to the Convention, or to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise, until such time as the Convention shall order other management or disposition of the same. And it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report annually to the Convention any action which he may take under the authority given to him by this Section.

CANON VIII.

OF THE REGISTRAR.

1. A Registrar shall be elected by the Convention at its Annual Session, into whose keeping shall be committed all documents pertaining to the history of the Church in Rhode Island, and all journals of other Dioceses, and any other documents that are now or may hereafter become the property of this Convention. It shall be the duty of said Registrar to preserve them in some suitable place of deposit, and to hold them subject to such regulations as the Convention may from time to time prescribe.

2. Said Registrar shall hold his office for one year, and until another shall be chosen in his place.

CANON IX.

OF THE BISHOP'S SALARY.

The annual salary of the Bishop of this Diocese shall be five thousand dollars, and shall be derived from the income of the Episcopal Fund, and from such sums as shall be assessed upon the several parishes by order of the Convention. It shall be due on the first days of January, April, July and October.

CANON X.

OF REMITTANCES FROM PARISHES FOR DIOCESAN EXPENSES.

It shall be the duty of the Church Wardens and Vestries to see that the amount assessed upon their respective parishes by the Convention, be regularly transmitted to its Treasurer, so as to be included in his annual report.

CANON XI.

OF THE ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

1. Any parish intending to be represented in this Convention, as provided for in the third article of the Constitution of the Diocese, shall choose its delegates in a parish meeting, regularly called in conformity with the charter and by-laws of the parish; and in addition to the delegates provided for in said third article, said parish shall, at the same meeting, choose four other persons, to be called substitutes, who, in the order in which they are chosen, shall be entitled to fill the place of any delegate who may resign, or be unable to attend; and such delegates and substitutes shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of the parish; and also until others shall have been chosen to take their places. And the certificate of the election of such delegates and substitutes shall state that they are communicants of the Church.

2. Whenever, during a Session of the Convention, any lay delegate shall retire and a substitute take his place, the fact of such change shall be made known to the Secretary, and by him be entered on the record and announced to the Convention, before such substitute shall be entitled to a vote or seat in it.

CANON XII.

OF THE MODE OF TRYING CLERGYMEN.

1. For the trial of all complaints against any presbyter or deacon of this Church, there shall be a permanent ecclesiastical court, consisting of three presbyters, who shall be nominated by the Bishop and confirmed by the Convention.

There shall be also a legal adviser of the court, nominated and confirmed in the same way, who shall be a layman of the legal profession and a communicant in this Diocese; and it shall be his duty to decide all questions of law and practice arising in any trial, and all such decisions shall be reduced to writing, and be made part of the record of the proceedings.

Members of the court and the court's adviser shall hold their office during the episcopate of the Bishop appointing them, and until others

are appointed in their stead; *provided*, that if any of them shall die, resign, accept an election to the Standing Committee, become subject to prosecution under the Canons of the Church, or remove from the Diocese, the Bishop shall immediately appoint another person to fill the vacancy so occasioned, who shall hold the office until the next meeting of the Convention, when the Bishop shall nominate to the Convention the person so appointed, or some other person, in his discretion, for confirmation.

The court shall elect a president from their number, and appoint a clerk, who shall be a layman and a communicant in this Diocese.

2. Complaint against any clergyman subject to the jurisdiction of this Diocese, for any offence for which he may be tried in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention, shall be made to the Standing Committee, and shall be in writing, and signed by one presbyter canonically resident, and two lay communicants resident in the Diocese. It shall state that the acts complained of are true of their own knowledge, or that on careful inquiry they believe them to be true.

3. Should the Standing Committee deem the complaint well founded, and deserving prosecution, they shall make a written presentment, stating the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance, which shall be signed by the Standing Committee, or a majority of them, and be delivered to the President of the court.

4. The President shall then summon the court with the legal adviser thereof, and appoint a time and place for the trial. He shall cause the defendant to be summoned to appear at the time and place so appointed, and to answer to the complaint. The summons shall be served by some person appointed by the President, by leaving a certified copy of the summons and presentment with the defendant, at least thirty days before the time of trial. If the person so appointed shall certify that the defendant cannot be found in the Diocese, so that he may be personally served with the summons, service shall be sufficient if the copies aforesaid shall be left at his last and usual place of abode therein: *provided*, that the court may require such other or further notice to the defendant of the proceedings as they may deem proper.

5. The Standing Committee shall appoint some proper person or persons to conduct the prosecution, *provided*, that all such prosecuting officers shall always be communicants of the Church in this Diocese.

6. Questions of practice, and of the admission of evidence, when not governed by canons of this Diocese, or of the General Convention, shall follow the analogies of the civil law of this State, so far as the authority of the court may extend. Witnesses may be examined by either party in the presence of the court, and when the personal attendance of witnesses cannot be had, their testimony may be taken in writing, in such manner and by such persons as the court may order.

7. The accused may employ legal counsel or other assistants in his defence on the trial.

8. The court shall act by a majority, and shall determine whether the accused is guilty or not guilty; and if they find that he is guilty of all or any part of the matters charged against him, they shall, in their discretion, award judgment of admonition, suspension or deposition.

9. A full record of the proceedings of the court, with the testimony, whether oral or written, shall be kept by the clerk, and a certified copy thereof shall, within twenty days after the rising of the court, be delivered by him to the Bishop, who shall, within forty days from said rising, if the judgment is against the defendant, proceed to administer the discipline determined therein; *provided*, that the Bishop may, for reasons satisfactory to him, at any time, remit the whole or any part of the penalty imposed by the court.

10. Should the accused not appear at the trial, and no good reason be shown for his absence, the court shall direct the clerk to certify such default to the Bishop, who shall thereupon suspend him from the exercise of his clerical functions until further order of the court. In case the defendant shall apply to the President of the court within six months from the date of such default for leave to appear and answer to the complaint, and to submit to the judgment of the court, the President shall assemble the court, and appoint a time and place at which to proceed to trial. In case the defendant

shall not apply for trial within six months from such default, the clerk of the court shall certify such further default to the Bishop, who shall thereupon depose him from the ministry.

11. If the trial of a clergymen should become necessary during a vacancy of the episcopate, the Bishop of any other Diocese may, at the request of the Standing Committee, perform all the acts assigned by this canon to the Bishop of this Diocese.

CANON XIII.

OF NOTICES.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, before Easter of each year, to transmit by mail to all parish ministers and parish clerks of the Diocese, duplicate forms for certificates of the appointment of lay delegates, one of which shall be filled up and returned to the Secretary during Easter week. He shall also, one month before the meeting of the Convention, send by mail to the Rector, or Senior Warden, of every parish, the form required for Parochial Reports.

CANON XIV.

OF TESTIMONIALS OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Whenever the vestry of any parish in this Diocese shall sign any testimonial in behalf of persons to be recommended as candidates for Holy Orders, or to be recommended for ordination, such signing shall be done at a meeting of the said vestry regularly called, and the testimonial shall so state, and be signed by the clerk of the vestry.

CANON XV.

OF THE REMOVAL OF COMMUNICANTS.

A communicant removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing, and the Rector of

the parish or congregation to which he or she removes, shall not record him or her as a communicant of his parochial charge, until the communicant so removing, presents such letter if it be practicable to procure one.

CANON XVI.

OF THE LIST OF PARISHES.

1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, at least two months before its Annual Session, to send to the Standing Committee a list of the parishes in this Diocese, to be by that Committee revised in accordance with Article Fourth of the Constitution.

2. The list thus revised by the Standing Committee, shall be returned to the Secretary of the Convention at least one month before its Session, and be the authorized list of the parishes of the Diocese for that Session, and for any Special Session held during the year.

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OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

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LIST OF PARISHES

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

WITH THE DATE OF THEIR ORGANIZATION.

1882.

	A. D.	Date of Organization.
Trinity Church, Newport	1698	First.
St. Paul's Church, Wickford	1707	Second.
St. Michael's Church, Bristol	1719	Third.
St. John's Church, Providence	1722	Fourth.
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	1816	Fifth.
Grace Church, Providence	1829	Sixth.
St. Mark's Church, Warren	1829	Seventh.
St. James's Church, Woonsocket	1832	Eighth.
Zion Church, Newport	1833	Ninth.
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich	1833	Tenth.
Christ Church, Lonsdale	1834	Eleventh.
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth	1834	Twelfth.
Christ Church, Westerly	1834	Thirteenth.
Emmanuel Church, Manville	1835	Fourteenth.
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown	1837	Fifteenth.
St. Stephen's Church, Providence	1839	Sixteenth.
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield	1839	Seventeenth.
St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth	1843	Eighteenth.
St. Philip's Church, Crompton	1845	Nineteenth.
Trinity Church, Pawtucket	1845	Twentieth.
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence	1847	Twenty-first.
St. Peter's Church, Manton	1847	Twenty-second.

	A. D.	Date of Organizatio n
St. Thomas's Church, Greenville	1851	Twenty-third.
Emmanuel Church, Newport	1852	Twenty-fourth.
Church of the Messiah, Providence	1856	Twenty-fifth.
St. John's Church, Barrington	1859	Twenty-sixth.
Church of the Redeemer, Providence	1860	Twenty-seventh.
Church of the Saviour, Providence	1863	Twenty-eighth.
Christ Church, Providence	1865	Twenty-ninth.
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston	1866	Thirtieth.
St. John's Chapel, Ashton	1868	Thirty-first.
St. James's Church, Providence	1869	Thirty-second.
All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac	1869	Thirty-third.
St. Mary's Church, East Providence	1871	Thirty-fourth.
St. Gabriel's Church, Providence	1871	Thirty-fifth.
St. George's Church, Central Falls	1874	Thirty-sixth.
Trinity Church, Bristol	1875	Thirty-seventh.
Church of the Epiphany, Providence	1875	Thirty-eighth.
St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier		Thirty-ninth.

A LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

JUNE, 1882.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, Residing in Providence.

Rev. William N. Ackley, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren.

Rev. William W. Ayres, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. Henry Bassett, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

Rev. Alva E. Carpenter, Apponaug.

Rev. A. B. Carver, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

Rev. Benjamin H. Chase, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Rev. William M. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, Barrington; Post Office, Barrington Centre.

Rev. William S. Child, S. T. D.

Rev. E. Warren Clark, Rector of Ascension Church, Wakefield, and St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.

Rev. Thomas H. Cocroft, Missionary in charge of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, and St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix.

Rev. James W. Colwell, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Rev. J. H. Converse, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.

Rev. H. C. Cunningham, Rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Rev. Benjamin Eastwood, Missionary in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

Rev. William M. Groton, Rector of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

Rev. David H. Greer, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Providence.

Rev. Henry Hague, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D., Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

Rev. J. C. Hewlett, Rector of Zion Church, Newport.

Rev. W. F. B. Jackson, Rector of St. James's Church, Providence.

Rev. Daniel Leach, D.D., Superintendent of Public Schools, Providence.

Rev. J. E. Lindholm, Rector of All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac.

Rev. George L. Locke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Rev. George J. Magill, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. William I. Magill, Missionary in charge of St. Thomas's Church, Greenville, and St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Rev. Charles H. Malcolm, D. D.

Rev. Alexander G. Mercer, D.D., Minister of All Saints' Chapel, Newport.

Rev. Joseph L. Miller, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Rev. H. Usher Monro, Rector of the Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Rev. Samuel N. Moran, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. Robert Murray, Jr., Rector of St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

Rev. D. I. Odell, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Watchemoket.

Rev. Arthur T. Parsons, Missionary in charge of St. George's Church, Central Falls, and St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls.

Rev. R. B. Peet, Rector of Emanuel Church, Newport.

Rev. Emery Huntington Porter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Delancy G. Rice, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Providence.

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Rev. S. Brenton Shaw, D.D., Providence.

Rev. William P. Tucker, Rector of Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Samuel H. Webb, Rector of Christ Church, Providence.

Rev. Francis Wharton, D.D., LL. D.

Rev. Charles H. Wheeler, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

Rev. Clement J. Whipple.

Rev. Hobart Williams, Rector of St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and of the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

Rev. Otis O. Wright, Swansea, Mass.

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CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR, PROVIDENCE, }
Tuesday, June 13, 1882. }

The Ninety-second Annual Session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, assembled for Divine Service in the Church of the Saviour, Providence, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

After singing the 202d hymn, the Communion Office was begun by the Bishop, the Rev. A. B. CARVER, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, reading the Epistle.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. J. L. MILLER, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket, from Psalms, xlix, 7: "*But no man may deliver his brother nor make agreement unto God for him*"; and Romans xiv, 7: "*For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.*"

The Bishop was assisted in the Communion Office and in the administration by the Rev. A. B. CARVER.

After a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rules of Order were read by the Secretary; the Roll was then called as follows:

LIST OF CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS AND A VOTE.

Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. William N. Ackley,
" William W. Ayres,
" *Samuel G. Babcock,**
" A. B. Carver,
" William M. Chapin,
" Benjamin H. Chase,
" Thomas H. Cocroft,
" James W. Colwell,
" H. C. Cunningham,
" Benjamin Eastwood,
" Daniel Goodwin,
" David H. Greer, D. D.,
" Henry Hague,
" Daniel Henshaw, S.T.D.,
" John C. Hewlett,
" W. F. B. Jackson,
" Daniel Leach, D. D.
" J. E. Lindholm,
" *George L. Locke,*
Rev. George J. Magill,
" William I. Magill,
" *A. G. Mercer, D. D.,*
" Joseph L. Miller,
" Robert Murray, Jr.,
" Daniel I. Odell,
" Robert B. Peet,
" Arthur T. Parsons,
" Emery H. Porter,
" *Delancey G. Rice,*
" Charles A. L. Richards,
" Samuel B. Shaw, D. D.,
" *William P. Tucker,*
" Samuel H. Webb,
" Francis Wharton, D.D., LL. D.,
" Charles H. Wheeler,
" *Hobart Williams.*

ENTITLED TO SEATS BUT NOT TO A VOTE.

Rev. Wm. S. Child, S. T. D.,
" *C. H. Malcolm, D. D.,*
" Otis Olney Knight,
" *Clement J. Whipple,*
" H. U. Monro,
Rev. Wm. M. Groton,
" *Samuel Wilson Moran,*
" E. Warren Clark,
" J. H. Converse.

*Those whose names are in italics were not present.

LAY DELEGATES AND SUBSTITUTES.

PROVIDENCE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Jacob H. Martin,	*Samuel G. Trippe*,
John W. Vernon,	T. P. I. Goddard,
M. B. I. Goddard,	*J. H. DeWolf*,
D. L. D. Granger.	*C. T. Dorrance.*

Grace Church, Providence.

William Grosvenor,	Samuel J. Ladd,
Edward A. Greene,	*John W. Angell*,
Charles Morris Smith,	*Joseph H. Fanning*,
Stephen Brownell.	*Augustus Hoppin.*

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Resolved Waterman,	Freeborn Coggeshall,
Lyman Klapp,	*Edward H. Cutler*,
William Ames,	*Charles C. Nichols*,
R. M. Sherman.	John H. Ormsbee.

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

B. Frank Pabodie,	*Geo. W. Porter*,
George C. Nightingale, Jr.,	*Charles H. Henshaw*,
James Tiffany,	*Sanford A. Kingsley*,
Louis T. Foster.	*Gilbert H. Hagan.*

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

W. H. Thornton,	*Wm. A. Huse*,
George B. Hall,	*S. Mitchell*,
George Barker,	*G. F. Beane*,
J. R. Wood.	*R. L. Robinson.*

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

John H. Stiness,	*John B. Wheeler*,
George D. Briggs,	*Samuel T. Sparks*,
Elisha C. Mowry,	*James W. Lees*,
Charles B. Manchester.	*Henry McNamara.*

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Waterman Stone,	James H. Mumford,
A. W. Mathewson,	*Zachariah Chafee, Jr.*,
James M. Cross,	George B. Rawson,
Daniel W. Brown.	*John R. Allen.*

Christ Church, Providence.

W. J. Crossley,	*Lewis Boyden*,
S. A. Bliss,	*T. I. Hudson*,
M. E. Boyden,	*George Long*,
H. K. Gardiner.	*Wm. Crighton.*

St. James's Church, Providence.

Amos M. Bowen,	*Eugene P. King*,
Frank E. Richmond,	*Jonas Auty*,
Ebenezer Nichols,	*George Carouthers*,
Christopher Blanding.	T. A. Eddy.

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

Charles H. Hemenway,	*Henry T. Beckwith*,
George L. Barnes,	*George M. Daniels*,
Henry Harman,	*Herbert M. Tanner*,
S. S. Bucklin.	*W. J. R. Phillips.*

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

A. O. Bourn,	*Albert D. Lippitt*,
William Halton,	*Malcolm Troop*,
Edward D. Bassett,	*Robert H. Hopkins*,
George H. Lincoln.	*George Kirkland.*

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

William W. Blodgett,	*Joseph T. Greene*,
James O. Starkweather,	*Alfred H. Cheetham*,
Charles W. Allen,	*Thomas R. Dix*,
George E. Bamford.	*G. A. Mumford.*

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
C. B. Farnsworth,	*Alvin C. Cash*,
S. G. Brayman,	*Henry L. Dana*,
William Warburton,	*Charles E. Richardson*,
Martin Ballou.	*Frederick W. Warburton.*

St. George's Church, Lincoln.

James M. Davis,	*Thomas Wallace*,
Frederick Haywood,	John Harrop,
John P. Briden,	Robert Briden,
James Whittle.	*Fred. W. Davis.*

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Baylies Bourne,	*William Pollitt*,
George A. Kent,	*Edwin Matthews*,
Addison Kinsman,	*Geo. W. Hawkins*,
Samuel D. Learned.	*Chas. S. Robinson.*

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

George Sparhawk,	James Williamson,
James Geldard,	*R. H. I. Goddard*,
Andrew Crumley,	*Thomas Simpson*,
Wm. H. Beebe.	John Mills.

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Russell Handy,	*Wm. Waterman*,
Frederick M. Ballou,	Cyrus Cook,
Rufus L. Pierce,	*William Bates*,
George A. Clarke.	*James Cornes.*

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Lyman A. Cook,	*Frank L. Carter*,
Ariel Ballou,	*Fred. C. Harris*,
George W. Miller,	*M. Jencks*,
Henry Andrews.	*Chas. F. Taft.*

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
William Clegg,	*Frederic Suffa*,
Joseph Estes,	*Benjamin Bamforth*,
Daniel W. Latham,	*James Stott*,
George Suffa.	*Nathan Estes*.

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Elisha O. Angell,	*James Millar*,
William W. Wright,	*Horace A. Hunt*.
John C. Budlong,	
George A. Manchester.	

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

No Delegates reported.

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

R. W. Adams,	*Cornelius Beard*,
E. L. Dillon,	*Charles Blackmar*.
George Fuller,	
William Taylor.	

BRISTOL COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Barrington.

J. C. Burrington,	*John F. Maxfield*,
E. L. Walcott,	*John J. Jenckes*,
Henry Staples,	*George Church*,
Benjamin B. Wood.	Daniel H. Wood.

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

George Lewis Cooke,	*William R. Haile*,
Luther Cole,	*Alfred B. Gardiner*,
Lawton I. Ware,	*George Wheaton*,
Daniel L. Turner.	*Charles A. Hoar*.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Theodore P. Bogert,	*Frederick F. Gladding,*
Edward S. Babbitt,	*William S. Williams,*
Thomas J. Usher,	*Wm. T. C. Wardwell,*
John H. Pitman.	*Herbert F. Bennett.*

Trinity Church, Bristol.

H. Frank Munroe,	J. H. H. Mott,
J. P. Reynolds,	*Henry F. Card,*
Charles V. Perry,	*James H. Corthell,*
Henry C. Sayles.	*Darwin Almy.*

NEWPORT COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Newport.

John H. Cozzens,	*Samuel Engs,*
John S. Deblois,	*William H. Ashurst,*
William Cornell,	*Marshall Stedman,*
Walter L. Kane.	*Job T. Langley.*

Zion Church, Newport.

James A. Brown,	*James Pierson,*
Freeborn S. Waite,	*Robert C. Cottrell,*
Ernest Goffe,	*Thomas A. Spencer,*
Alfred Barker.	*C. L. F. Atkinson.*

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

William P. Clark,	*Peter King,*
John M. Taylor,	*Edward Taylor,*
George N. Bell,	John Hilton,
William Marvel.	John A. Gibson.

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Benjamin Greene,	*Arthur R. Coggeshall,*
H. H. Burrington,	*David F. Gifford,*
Thomas Holman,	*Benjamin S. Anthony,*
Thomas L. Mitchell.	*Seth Anthony.*

St. Mary's Church, Portsmouth.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Albert L. Chase,	*Restcom P. Manchester*,
William Henry Gifford,	*Herbert Chase*,
John B. Gould,	*William P. Manchester*,
James R. Chase.	*Peleg T. Coggeshall.*

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

No Delegates reported.

KENT COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

William Goddard,	B. F. Vaughn,
Alfred A. Reed,	*Stukely B. Wickes*,
W. Maxwell Greene,	*Richard Thornley*,
Daniel A. Pierce.	*Edward Taylor.*

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

Benjamin F. Waterhouse,	*William Houston*,
John Lord,	H. A. Waterhouse,
Henry Owen.	*George Haddock.*

All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac.

James Estes,	*William Wooley*,
John Pollard,	*D. O. King*,
Edward P. Robinson,	Robert M. Pollard,
James T. Wallwork.	*Duncan Dow.*

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

James A. Greene,	*John P. Olney*,
A. M. Thomas,	*William Gregory*,
Gideon Freeborn,	C. F. Wightman,
C. A. Chadsey.	*Ezbon Sanford.*

Christ Church, Westerly.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Edwin Babcock,	*Robt. F. Latimer*,
Samuel H. Cross,	*Otis P. Brown*,
William Hoxsey,	*David Smith*,
Jesse L. Moss, Jr.	*Nicholas Cranshaw.*

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

George G. Pearse,	*John M. Taylor*,
Lionel H. Clark.	*Geo. H. Knowles*,
	Edward Whitford,
	Edward Olney.

St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.

Esborn S. Taylor, Jr.,	James Waters,
John H. Caswell,	William Easton,
George C. Robinson,	*Elisha W. Browning*,
Freeman P. W. Tifft.	*William C. Gardiner.*

The President then declared the Convention to be duly organized.

On motion,

Resolved, That clergymen from other Dioceses and Candidates for Holy Orders be invited to honorary seats in the Convention.

There were present the Rev. Dr. Chambre, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, the Rev. A. P. Chapman and the Rev. Charles R. Talbot, of the Diocese of Connecticut, and Messrs. Alva E. Carpenter and I. T. Bagnall, Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese.

The following committees were then appointed by the President:

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	Mr. Waterman Stone,
" J. L. Miller,	" Henry Staples.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

Rev. J. W. Colwell,	Mr. William Grosvenor,
" W. W. Ayres,	" E. D. Bassett.

ON CANONS.

Rev. C. A. L. Richards,	Mr. C. B. Farnsworth,
" Dan'l Henshaw, S.T.D.	" Geo. L. Cooke.

The Rev. C. A. L. Richards, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, moved that the Constitution approved by the Convention at its session last year be adopted. The motion was carried unanimously, the clergy and laity voting separately.

The Committee on Canons reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolutions on page 30 of the Journal of this Convention for the year 1881, respectfully submit the following report:

They are not prepared at this time to recommend the incorporation of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes as a self-perpetuating body.

They propose the following changes in Canon IV., namely: That Sections 7 and 8 should be numbered as sections 8 and 9, and that the following paragraph should be adopted as Section 7:

7. In case of any debt existing or accruing upon property held in trust by this Board, which debt cannot be cancelled by the parties beneficially interested, this Board shall not assume such debt; as it is not within the province of the Convention to tax or assess the parishes to meet any such debt. Nor does the Convention hold itself legally liable or morally responsible for it; but it shall be the duty of the Board to make known the fact of said indebtedness, in such manner as may best secure voluntary offerings or subscriptions for its payment.

All which is respectfully submitted,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

On motion, the report was received, and the resolution appended was made the order of the day immediately after the elections to-morrow.

On motion, resolved that the Convention take a recess till half-past 1 o'clock.

At the close of the recess, the Convention was again called to order.

Mr. Charles Morris Smith presented the report of the Committee on the J. S. Borland Estate.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE J. S. BORLAND ESTATE.

The Committee appointed at the Eighty-eighth Convention, with authority to sell or dispose of all or any part of the real estate received by the Convention under the will of the late Joseph S. Borland, report that they have sold the remaining parcel of land for the sum of one thousand dollars, and have placed the money in the hands of the Treasurer of the Convention. This sale, with the sales reported to the Convention in 1880, makes the amount of twenty-eight hundred dollars realized from the sales of the real estate of the late Joseph S. Borland. The real estate having all been sold, your Committee ask to be discharged.

For the Committee,

CHARLES MORRIS SMITH.

On motion, the report was received, placed on file and the Committee discharged.

Mr. E. D. Bassett, for the Committee appointed to secure an amendment to the Charter of this Convention, reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMENDMENT OF CHARTER.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Session of the Convention to apply to the General Assembly for an amendment to the Charter of this Convention, respectfully report:

That upon the petition of your Committee, the General Assembly, at its January Session, so amended the Charter of this Convention as to allow the Convention to hold an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Your Committee present herewith a form of vote accepting the Charter as amended, and suggest its passage.

The same Committee were directed to enquire into the expediency of vesting this trust in a special close corporation.

By "this trust," your Committee understand the trust vested in the Convention as holding the legal title to lands and church building for religious and charitable purposes, according to the rites and usages of the Church in this country; and on the question so suggested, your Committee of two members are divided in opinion, and respectfully ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

EDWARD D. BASSETT,
GEO. LEWIS COOKE, } *Committee.*

On motion, the report was received and placed on file, and the following preamble and resolution adopted:

WHEREAS, The General Assembly of this State, at its January session, A. D. 1882, so amended the Charter of this Convention as to allow said Convention to hold real and personal estate, other than church buildings and rectories, to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; now, therefore,

Resolved, That said Charter, as so amended, be and the same hereby is accepted by and on the part of this Convention.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

On motion, resolved, that so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the erection of a monument to the memory of Bishop Berkeley, in Ireland, be referred to a committee of five.

The Chair appointed as the Committee:

Rev. G. J. MAGILL,
" D. H. GREER, D. D.
Mr. Wm. Grosvenor,
" Geo. C. Nightingale, Jr.,
" Wm. Goddard.

The Treasurer of the Convention then read his report, which, on motion, was received and placed on file. (See Appendix.)

Mr. Wm. Goddard then offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, was received and placed on file:

BEQUEST OF SARAH U. GODDARD.

WHEREAS, The late Miss Sarah Updike Goddard did, by her last will and testament, "devise and bequeath to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Rhode Island, the annual sum of one hundred dollars a year, towards the support or erection of Protestant Episcopal Churches in said State, this sum to be paid annually for the term of ten years after the decease of her last surviving sister;" and, whereas, William Goddard, the executor of said will, has already made five annual payments of one hundred dollars each, and now offers to pay five hundred dollars in lieu of the five annual payments hereafter becoming due and payable.

Now, therefore, the Treasurer of the Convention is hereby authorized and instructed to receive from said executor five hundred dollars, and to execute such release as may be sufficient to discharge said executor and the estate of said Sarah Updike Goddard from all liability to the Convention arising from the aforerecited bequest.

Providence, June, 1882.

On motion,

Voted, That the disposition of the $500, to be received by the Treasurer under the preceding vote, be referred to the Board of Audit and Finance, with instructions to report to-morrow.

The Board of Audit and Finance then made report on the Parish Assessments. The report was received and ordered to be printed. (See Appendix.)

The Registrar then read his report, and, on motion, it was received and placed on file.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The Registrar respectfully reports that there have been placed in the archives since the last session of this Convention, Journals of Convention for 1881, from nearly all the Dioceses and Home Missionary jurisdictions in the United States. Suitable cases have been provided, in accordance with a resolution passed at the session of 1881, and placed in one of the rooms of the Woman's Auxiliary, in Wayland Building. Order has been brought out of chaos, and many rare and valuable pamphlets added to the collection. The expense of moving and altering the cases and shelves was in excess of the appropriation, though every effort was made to keep within the amount. No charge has been made for anything except the expense for building an addition to the old set of shelves and altering the same to conform in style to the addition. The needed room could not be obtained in any other way. The Registrar has therefore assumed the responsibility and paid the balance required, amounting to $5.17. Nor has any charge been made for postage or stationery used in correspondence, in the effort to add to the documents belonging to the Diocese. Thanks are specially due to Miss Sophia Greene, of Portsmouth, R. I., Mrs. C E. B. Weeden, of Cumberland Hill, for their liberal donations of Rhode Island Diocesan Journals, enabling the Registrar to exchange with other parties for needed Journals of other states. Help has been received from the librarians of Brown University, Providence, and Trinity College, Hartford, and from many others who have responded to the personal or written appeal of the Registrar. Among the additions made, are Journals of Connecticut for 1825, 1826, 1827, 1831, 1836, 1837, 1838, 1839, which, with a manuscript copy of 1832, made by the Registrar, completes the set of Convention Journals. It is hoped that complete files of the other New England Dioceses may be obtained. It is also desirable that the later Journals of this Convention should be bound. The first volume of the Records of the Convention should be re-bound, uniform with the other volumes, and placed in the archives.. By vote of this Convention, it was placed in the keeping of the Rhode Island Historical Society, and can only be obtained by request from the Convention. The Journals of General Convention since 1835 are yet unbound. The Registrar again respectfully requests assistance in adding to the archives such documents as pertain to the history of the Church in Rhode Island and the other New England states.

Respectfully,

S. H. WEBB, *Registrar.*

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to make application to the Rhode Island Historical Society for the first volume of the Manuscript Records of this Convention, placed in the Society's keeping by vote of this Convention at its session in 1859, and that he deposit the same in the archives.

On motion,

Resolved, That Fifty Dollars be appropriated for the purpose of binding the Journals of General Convention, now in the archives, the first volume of the Manuscript Records of this Convention, the last volume of the Journals of this Convention, and such other documents as can better be preserved thereby; and that hereafter an annual appropriation of fifteen dollars be made for defraying the expenses connected with the Registrar's department, and that the Registrar be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the same.

The Report of the Standing Committee was read, and, on motion, was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee met at St. John's Rectory in the city of Providence, September 16, 1881, and was organized by the election of the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, President, and the Rev. D. H. Greer, Secretary.

The Special Committee appointed at a previous meeting to consider and determine the parochial standing of All Saints' Chapel, Newport, made a report, which was received and adopted, to the following effect: "That the aforesaid church, having now complied with all reasonable requirements is henceforth to be regarded as a duly formed parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church."

The consent of the Committee has been given to a request received from the Hon. John H. Stiness, asking permission to copy for the use of the "Rhode Island Historical Society," the diary of the Rev. Dr. McSparren, now in the archives of the Diocese.

The Committee has revised the list of parishes in this Diocese, as required by the 16th Canon, and in accordance with the provisions of article 4 of the Constitution, and has returned the same to the Secretary of the Convention, to be used at this, and at any special session of the Convention which may be held during the year.

The Rev. Charles Howard Malcolm, Deacon, the Rev. Otis Olney Wright, Deacon, and the Rev. Hezekiah Usher Monro, Deacon, have been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood. Messrs. Henry Bassett, Isaac Tomlinson Bagnall and Alva Edwin Carpenter have been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate.

(Signed), D. H. GREER, *Secretary.*

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund was then read, and, on motion, received and ordered to be printed. (See Appendix.)

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, with accompanying resolutions, was then presented. On motion, the Report was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

The property in the care of the Board remains the same as at the time of the last annual report.

All the church buildings are believed to be in good repair, and they are all insured except Trinity Church, South Scituate. At South Scituate there is no church organization. The Board have no funds to meet the emergencies.

Mr. William J. Tracy, of Burrillville, who has been in charge of the church building at that place, has in his hands a balance of one hundred ninety-seven dollars, seventy-four cents, that has been received by him from rents, December, 1876, after deducting the necessary expenses for insurance and repairs, paid out by him The Board would suggest that this sum be paid over to the Treasurer of this Board and invested by him as a part of the permanent fund for repairs of property, etc., placed under the control of this Board, and for this purpose submit herewith a resolution to carry this suggestion into effect.

The church building belonging to this Convention, at Crompton, has been during the past year, the Board have been unofficially informed, torn down and a new and more beautiful structure erected upon its site.

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Secretary.*

Providence, June 12, 1882.

Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, in account with Edward D. Bassett, Treasurer.

Dr.

1882.		
June 7.	To balance to new account	$153 00
		$153 00

Invested in People's Savings Bank, Providence, $153.

Cr.

1881.		
June 7.	By balance from old account	$150 00
1882.		
Jan. 1.	" interest from deposit Peoples' Savings Bank	3 00
		$153 00
June 7.	" balance to new account	$153 00

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct.

F. E. Richmond, C. B. Farnsworth, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

On motion, the Resolutions accompanying said report were adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That William J. Tracy, Treasurer of Calvary Church, Burrillville, is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, any balance of money in his hands arising from the rent of Calvary Church building.

Resolved, That said Board shall invest said balance so soon as received, in such manner as shall seem prudent; with authority from time to time to use the interest, income or profit therefrom for the care, repair, or otherwise for the benefit of the property of this Convention under the charge of said Board, in such manner as said Board shall deem expedient.

On motion, the following resolution concerning applications from the Church of the Saviour, Providence, and St.

Philip's Church, Crompton, was referred to the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to report to-morrow:

Resolved, That the application of the Church of the Saviour, Providence, that the land and building now held by this Convention for the beneficial interest of the Church of the Saviour, be turned over to the corporation of the Church of the Saviour;

And of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, that the Convention secure the payment of the sum of five hundred dollars upon the rectory at Crompton, be referred to the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, with directions to report to-morrow.

The Report of the Depository Board was then read, received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE DEPOSITORY BOARD.

The revenue from the Depository Stock for the past year has been $32 50, and the Convention offertory in June, 1881, was $24.44, together amounting to $56 94. The orders upon the Depository during the same period have been $35.00

The balance on hand in June, 1881, was	$9 70	
" Convention offertory in June, 1881, was	24 44	
" Income from the Depository Stock	32 50	
		$66 64
The order to the Church of the Epiphany	$15 00	
" " to Christ Church	20 00	
		$35 00
Balance on hand		$31 64

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board,

S. C. BLODGET.

June 9, 1882.

Examined and found correct.

F. E RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WILLIAM AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

The Report of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans was then read, received and ordered to be printed. (See Appendix.)

The report of the Board of Missions was then read, received and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The annual meeting of the Board of Missions was held June 21, 1881. E. H. Porter was elected Secretary and C. E. Boon Treasurer.

At the meeting held January 3, 1882, the following missionary stations were adopted for the year beginning April 1, 1882, and the missionaries were appointed by the Bishop:

St. George's, Lincoln, Rev. A. T. Parsons, on condition of		$450....	$350
St. Philip's, Valley Falls, Rev. A. T. Parsons,	"	100....	100
Christ, S. Providence, Rev S. H. Webb,	"	600....	400
St. Thomas's, Greenville, Rev. W. I. Magill,	"	400....	200
St. Peter's, Manton, Rev. W. I. Magill,	"	200 ...	200
St. Philip's Crompton, Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	"	500....	300
St. Andrew's, Phenix, Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	"	200....	100
Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, Rev. B. Eastwood,	"	650....	350
Epiphany, Elmwood, Rev. J. C. Craven,			150
St. James's Providence, Rev. W. F. B. Jackson			150
Total			$2,300

Three stipends remain unchanged from a year ago. The stations are the same, except that St. Batholomew's, Cranston, was dropped from the list, as services have been discontinued.

Since the appointments were made, the Rev. Mr. Craven has resigned the mission in Elmwood, and Mr. Henry Bassett will soon be placed in charge.

Special items of interest are these:

St. George's, Lincoln. During the year $1,300 have been given by friends of the parish toward the reduction of the debt, leaving it now only $2,300. When we remember that the indebtedness a few years ago was $7,200, it is a matter of surprise and of thankfulness that so much has been done in a short time to free a struggling mission from a heavy incumbrance. It is hoped that within two years the entire debt may be removed.

Good Shepherd, Pleasant View. The debt on this parish is $1,175, reduced this year $165, and each year by a small but steady diminution. The time will probably soon come when it will be possible to remove the entire debt by a single effort.

St. Thomas's, Greenville. The Rectory, nearly completed, will add

to the comfort and usefulness of the missionary, whose labors here have shown the benefit of a quiet, faithful work.

St. Peter's Manton. The Church has been put in thorough repair within and without. The parish has been efficiently organized and set to work, and a non-resident missionary has made himself almost a resident one, by constant and laborious supervision.

St. Philip's, Crompton. A year ago we recorded the expected enlargement of the Church edifice. What seemed then a dream too unsubstantial for sober thought, has passed into a fact, and a wholly new Church stands ready this week for consecration. The missionary's joy and crown. A self-supporting parish must now take the place of a missionary station, and the Board of Missions will, no doubt, be asked to give up its long-continued care.

St. Thomas's, Eagle Park. This mission has applied for help, and the Board has promised a stipend of $100 on condition that $600 are procured from other sources for the support of a missionary.

St. Barnabas, Apponaug. This is not a station of the Board, but we desire to call attention to the successful labors of the neighboring clergymen in establishing a mission in this place, which already gives promise of great fruitfulness.

On page 39 of the last Convention Journal is the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be requested to report to the next Convention, after full investigation, whether they deem it advisable to establish a Mission at Burrillville; if not, whether they recommend the sale of the property belonging to the Convention in that town."

The Board of Missions respectfully report to the Convention that they do not deem it at present advisable to establish a mission at Burrillville, and that they therefore recommend the sale of the property belonging to the Convention in that town on such terms as the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes may approve. They would suggest the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby give authority to the Trustees of Churches and Glebes to sell the property of the Diocese of Rhode Island, situated at Burrillville, to invest the proceeds of said sale and hold them in trust for future use at Burrillville, whenever a mission may again be established there, and, meanwhile to pay the annual interest of the investment to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions for missionary work in the Diocese until further order from the Convention.

The contributions to the Board during the year have been very gratifying. The attention called to the needs of the work by the appeals of the Bishop at his visitations, and the publication in a circular of a suggestive assessment based upon the report of the Board of Audit and Finance, with a general awakening of interest by other means, have resulted in a very hearty appreciation of the missionary work of the Diocese, and in a strong desire that it be made of permanent, not of subordinate interest, as in years before. The offerings in some parishes have been largely increased, and we can trace it in nearly every instance to the increased personal interest of the clergyman in charge.

According to the Canon, a relative apportionment of the amount necessary for the work of the ensuing year, in the form of a suggestive assessment has been prepared, and will be sent by circular to all the parishes in the Diocese

We appear before the Convention with all indebtedness paid, and enough in the Treasury to meet the July payment close at hand. A year ago we reported a deficit of $244 in the July payment. With the same earnestness and zeal on the part of the parishes which have contributed so well, and with a new earnestness on the part of a few parishes wholly delinquent or sadly neglectful, the missionary work can be thoroughly supported where it is now undertaken, and new places asking for help can be received.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. PORTER, *Secretary.*

On motion,

Resolved, That the consideration of the resolution appended to the above report be made the order of the day to-morrow, at 12.30.

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was read, received and ordered to be printed. (See Appendix.)

The report of the Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was then read, and on motion was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

In compliance with the invitation of the Convention of 1881, the Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary presents the following report:

Thirty-three parishes have united in this work in the past year. The money given is over and above our offerings made in church. We have contributed as follows:

For Foreign Missions	$420 00	
For Freedmen Missions	499 50	
For Mexican Missions	343 82	
For Indian Missions	466 91	
For Diocesan Missions	856 40	
For Domestic Missions	197 44	
For general work	854 00	
For St. Elizabeth Home	7 67	
For St. Mary's Orphanage	5 00—	$3,650 74
Value of Missionary boxes	$2,438 38	2,438 38
		$6,089 12

During the five years of our existence we have contributed:

	Cash.	Value of boxes.	
1878	$2,257 65	$2,695 45	
1879	1,886 90	2,574 70	
1880	2,088 67	1,753 30	
1881	2,104 02	3,081 62	
1882	3,650 74	2,438 38	
	$11,987 98	$12,543 45—	$24,531 43

NANCY A. GREENE, *Secretary.*

June 12, 1882.

On motion, resolved to amend the Standing Order of Business so as to include the report of the Woman's Auxiliary, said report to follow that of the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.

On motion, the order of business was suspended, whereupon the Committee appointed at the session of this Convention in 1879, to make application to the General Assem-

bly for an act of incorporation, and continued at the session of 1880, made verbal report.

On motion, the subject was referred to a joint committee, consisting of the same committee and the Committee on Canons, to report to-morrow.

On motion, it was made the order of the day immediately after the second order of the day.

The Committee on the subject of Intemperance presented a report which was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee to whom was referred the question of Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

Your Committee, after mature deliberation, do not feel that they can add anything to the suggestions embodied in the report presented to the last Convention. They have therefore notified the parishes of their intention to bring the matter before the Convention at this session, and would now simply emphasize the suggestions made in last year's report, and recommend that this Convention proceed to a full consideration of this important subject with a view to such action as shall commend itself to the wisdom of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. ACKLEY,
W. W. AYERS,
H. C. CUNNINGHAM,
LYMAN KLAPP,
J. O. STARKWEATHER,
} *Committee.*

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That whereas this Convention approves and endorses the purposes of the Church Temperance Society, the Rev. Messrs. Ackley, Ayres, Cunningham, Messrs. Klapp and Starkweather, be appointed a committee to prepare and mail to the Rectors of the Parishes of this

Diocese a statement of the purposes and method of the above Society, with such suggestions and instructions as will facilitate the promotion of kindred societies in such parishes.

On motion,

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourn it be to meet at half-past nine to-morrow morning.

On motion, the subject of a communication from the General Convention relating to proposed changes in the book of Common Prayer, was made the order of business after the third order of the day to-morrow.

The Parochial Reports were then presented to the Bishop.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at half-past nine to-morrow morning.

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR, PROVIDENCE,
Wednesday, *June* 14, 1882.

The Convention met for Divine Service in the Church at 9½ o'clock, A. M.

The Litany was said by the Rev. T. H. COCROFT, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, the Bishop pronouncing the Benediction.

At the close of the Service the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The roll was called and the record of the first day's proceedings was read and approved.

On motion,

Voted, That the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese, be added to the Committee appointed to collect funds for the purpose of aiding in erecting a monument to Bishop Berkeley, in Ireland, as chairman of said Committee.

Mr. E. D. Bassett, for the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to whom was referred the application from the Church of the Saviour, Providence, and St. Philip's, Crompton, presented the following report, which was received and placed on file:

The Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to whom was referred the application of the Church of the Saviour and of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, respectfully report—

That they find that the Convention has no power from the terms of the trust-deed by which the Convention holds the property occupied by the Church of the Saviour, and that has been accepted by this Convention, to comply with the request of the Church of the Saviour;

That the suggestion has been made by the donor of this property, and by the Church of the Saviour, the party beneficially interested, that a committee be appointed to consider the possibility of some action being taken to enable the Convention to relieve itself from the trust they have assumed. While not wishing to express any opinion as to the desirability of the Convention ultimately conveying any trust property, even could authority be obtained, but, thinking that courtesy to the donor of this property and to the church requesting it, requires that some notice should be taken, the Board suggest that a committee be appointed to see if any such authority can be obtained.

As to the application of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, the Board are of opinion that if St. Philip's Church had been a corporation a note for the amount of the indebtedness incurred in building that church should be given by such corporation and the payment thereof secured by mortgaging the rectory at Crompton. As there is no corporation, however, the Board recommend that the Treasurer of the Convention make the note of this Convention and secure it by mortgage upon the rectory building and land, with the understanding that St. Philip's Church will, as rapidly as possible, pay this obligation so assumed by the Convention.

For the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes,

EDWARD D. BASSETT.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Convention be, and hereby is, authorized to make and execute the promissory note of this Convention for the sum of five hundred dollars, and to secure the payment of the same, to make, execute, sign and acknowledge, for and in the name of this Convention, and thereto to affix the corporate seal of this Convention, a good and sufficient mortgage deed of the rectory building at the village of Crompton, in the town of Warwick, owned by this Convention, the net proceeds to be applied to the payment of the debt incurred in the erection of the church building at Crompton, owned by Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the application of the Church of the Saviour, Providence, be referred to the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to report at the next session of this Convention.

Mr. F. E. Richmond, for the Board of Audit and Finance, presented a report as follows:

The Board of Audit and Finance, to whom was referred by the Convention the matter of the fund of five hundred dollars to be received from the estate of Miss Sarah U. Goddard, under her will, respectfully report that they are of opinion that the meaning and intention of the testator expressed in her will, is that the sum of one hundred dollars shall be expended annually for the support or erection of churches in this diocese; they therefore recommend that the money, when received, be invested as the "Sarah U. Goddard fund" by the Treasurer of the Convention, and that the sum of one hundred dollars per annum be appropriated, together with the accumulated interest, for the purposes expressed in the will

And the Committee recommend that, for the present year, the sum of fifty dollars be appropriated to aid in the construction of a church in Phenix, and fifty dollars to the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

F. E. Richmond,
C. B. Farnsworth,
William Ames,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Providence, June 14, 1882.

On motion, the report was received and the recommendation of the Committee adopted.

The Convention then proceeded to the elections.

The following persons were elected:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

TO SERVE FOR TWO YEARS.

Rev. W. N. Ackley,
" C. A. L. Richards,
Mr. Geo. L. Cooke,
" C. E. Boon,
" Wm. Grosvenor.

Mr. James M. Cross was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

Mr. F. E. Richmond was re-elected a member of the Board of Audit and Finance for the term of three years.

The Rev. Samuel H. Weeb was re-elected Registrar.

The Standing Committee was re-elected as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Dan'l Henshaw, S. T. D.
" David H. Greer, D. D.
" C. A. L. Richards,
" George J. Magill,
Mr. E. A. Greene,
" George L. Cooke,
" W. W. Blodgett,
" T. P. I. Goddard.

Mr. Charles Morris Smith was re-elected a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund to serve three years.

The Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was re-elected as follows:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

Mr. H. T. Beckwith,
" J. L. Peirce,
Mr. E. D. Bassett,
" E. A. Greene.

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was re-elected as follows:

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, ETC.

Mr. M. B. I. Goddard,
" Edward A. Greene,
Mr. C. T. Dorrance,
" S. C. Blodget.

The Depository Board was re-elected as follows:

DEPOSITORY BOARD.

Rev. E. H. PORTER,
" D. H. GREER, D. D.,
Mr. Samuel C. Blodget,
" J. H. DeWolf.

The resolution recommended by the Committee on Canons, proposing changes in Canon IV., which was made the order of the day after the elections, was then taken up and, with verbal amendment, was adopted. (See page 18 of this Journal, and Canons of the Diocese.)

Mr. J. W. Vernon, for the Committee appointed to consider the question of the expenses of delegates to the General Convention, presented the following report:

The committee, to whom was referred by the Convention last year, a communication from "the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses appointed at the last General Convention," beg leave to report, that in their opinion it is not advisable to take any action looking to an assessment additional for travelling expenses of the Delegates.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. BOON,
J. W. VERNON,
E. H. PORTER,
JAMES W. COLWELL,
J. C. BURRINGTON,
Committee.

On motion, the report was received and placed on file.

On motion, the order of business was suspended, when the Rev. H. C. CUNNINGHAM, for the Committee appointed at the last session of this Convention, to consider a communication from the Secretary of the General Convention, relating to the proposed amendment to the ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, reported as follows:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT AND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island:

SIR:—In compliance with the requirements of Article 8 of the Constitution, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island, the following proposed changes in the Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, adopted by the General Convention of 1880, and to be finally acted upon by the General Convention of 1883, to wit:—

It was, by concurrent action (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 156, 157–159, 161, 162, 181. 182, 185–187, 188, 225, 251, 263, 273, 291, 292, 299, 300, 303, 316) of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1880,—

Resolved, That the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer be amended so as to read as follows, and that such proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, according to Article 8 of the Constitution:—

The Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer. By the Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled.

The General Convention of this Church, having heretofore—to wit, on the sixteenth day of October, A. D. 1789—set forth and established a Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, and thereby established the said book and declared it to be the Liturgy of this Church, and required that it be received as such by all the members of the same, and be in use from and after the first day of October, A. D. 1790; the same book is

hereby ratified and confirmed, and ordered to be the use of this Church from this time forth.

But note, however, that on days other than Sunday, Christmas Day, the Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day, it shall suffice if the Minister begin Morning or Evening Prayer at the General Confession, or the Lord's Prayer, preceded by one or more of the sentences appointed at the beginning of Morning and Evening Prayer, and end after the Collect for Grace, or the Collect for Aid against Perils, with 2 Cor. xiii. 14, using so much of the Lessons appointed for the day, and so much of the Psalter, as he shall judge to be for edification.

And note, also, that on any day when Morning and Evening Prayer shall have been duly said, or are to be said, and upon days other than those first afore-mentioned, it shall suffice, when need may require, if a Sermon or Lecture be preceded by at least the Lord's Prayer and one or more Collects found in this book. *Provided*, that no prayers not set forth in said book, or otherwise authorized by this Church, shall be used before or after such Sermon or Lecture.

And note further, also, that on any day the Morning Prayer, the Litany, or the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, may be used as a separate and independent service, provided that no one of these services shall be disused habitually.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

MEDFORD, MASS., May 2, A. D. 1881.

The Committee appointed to report on the proposed amendment to the ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, respectfully report:

A preliminary question of much importance is, whether an amendment of the act of the ratification of the Prayer Book is a proper way of altering the Rubrics, the Order of Services, and the Canons. This question should be answered in the negative for the following reasons:

1. A ratification is an historical fact, not the subject of subsequent legislation.

2. The ratification is not a part of the Book of Common Prayer, that having been, by its very terms antecedently set forth, and is therefore not amendable under the provisions of Article 8 of the Constitution.

3. Even if the amendment is granted to be admissible, it is still trivial and incongruous to introduce minute rubrical details in such an enacting clause. The whole body of the Rubrics might as well be massed in it.

The proper course, it is submitted, would be to incorporate the amendment here proposed in distinct legislative acts, as which they could be separately considered. Waiving this question, however, and supposing that the amendments proposed in the ratification now come before us on the merits, the following observations may be offered:

Although there is undoubtedly great difference of opinion on these as well as on other points of rubrical and canonical interpretation, we may venture to say that the following propositions are sustained by high authority:

1. *Right to Abbreviate and Change the Lessons.* In the "Admonition to all Ministers Ecclesiastical," prefixed to the second book of Homilies, in 1574, ministers are advised, "where it may chance some one or other chapter of the Old Testament to fall in order to be read upon the Sundays or Holy days, which were better to be changed with some other of the New Testament of more edification, it shall be well done to spend your time to consider well of such chapters beforehand, whereby your prudence and diligence in your office may appear," etc.

This admonition was issued shortly after the calendar and rubrics respecting the use of lessons, and coming from the same authors, and may be regarded as a cotemporaneous authoritative exposition. The second book of Homilies, of which this admonition is part, is declared by the thirty-fifth English article to "contain godly and wholesome doctrine," and this is virtually endorsed by our own article. Even supposing that this does not impose such an interpretation on our table of contents as will authorize changes and abbreviations, it is to be remembered that in the preface to that table ministers are allowed discretion in the choice of lessons "on occasions of ecclesiastical conventions and those of charitable collections," when there has been no specified service appointed by the ecclesiastical authority." Now it may be seriously questioned, whether this liberty, which at least, in special services, has been generally exercised by our clergy, would not be greatly impaired by the adoption of the amendment here proposed to us.

2. *Right to Officiate relieved from Rubrical Restrictions in public Worship not distinctively Episcopal.* The House of Bishops in the Memorial Proceedings declared, that "on special occasions, or at extraordinary services not otherwise provided for, ministers may, at their discretion, use such part of the Book of Common Prayer, and such lesson or lessons from the Holy Scripture as shall in their judgment tend to edification." See Bishop Potter's Memorial Papers, X.

It has never been supposed that clergymen officiating on peculiar occasions in non-Episcopal congregations where there are no Prayer Books,

or as chaplains to legislative bodies, or as chaplains to educational institutions, are bound to the order of services prescribed by the Rubrics, nor has this order been supposed to govern Bible classes, no matter how large the classes may be.

But this liberty will be seriously imperilled by the adoption of the amendment before us.

3. *Extemporaneous Prayer.* Under Canon 22, strict as are its limitations, it has always been held that not only *in* a sermon, but *after* a sermon, a minister may use prayers not in the Prayer Book. Such prayers are to be found in the printed sermons of Bishop White and some of our most eminent divines. Our Bishops also have not hesitated in times of war, and other exigencies to set forth for stated permanent use, prayers not in the Prayer Book.

Should the amendment now proposed be adopted, not only can no prayer or ejaculation of any kind be introduced at the close of a sermon, but there can be no stated special prayers set out for permanent use by the Episcopate. It is said, it is true, that the introduction of the limitation before us is necessary to prevent unsound prayers from being offered by the minister, and in deference to the position that no prayer should be offered by the minister to which the people have not previously agreed. But the limitation does not work such exclusion. It leaves the minister open to insert during the sermon, as many prayers of his own composition as he may choose. Either the limitation should have been made to cover the whole period of public worship or it should confine its operation to the period before the sermon. The latter alternative is the best. There should be no legislation which would interfere with the old liberty of introducing during and after the sermon, prayers and invocations prepared by the minister, or modified by him from the Prayer Book text so as to suit the particular service.

This has been a very general practice, and it is not alleged that from this liberty any evil consequences have flowed.

Signed,

FRANCIS WHARTON,
H. C. CUNNINGHAM,
DANIEL GOODWIN,
J. H. COZZENS,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH.

On motion,

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on the Proposed Amendment of the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer be received and be printed in the Journal.

Resolved, That this Convention, while desirous of certain Rubrical relaxations, does not approve the proposed amendment of the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Rhode Island, be printed as part of the Journal of 1882, and that three hundred separate copies be printed for the subsequent use of the Convention.

The Committee on the Non-Attendance of Children at Church reported, and, on motion, the report was received and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Non-attendance of Children at Church, would report that it finds but little to add to its quite full treatment of the subject last year. In the way of practical suggestion it would propose that, so far as possible, the sessions of Sunday schools should not be held immediately before the long morning service, thus giving the excuse of weariness to the children. The Committee would also reiterate its former recommendation that, as a rule, the Book of Common Prayer and the Church Hymnal be exclusively used as the service books in the devotional portions of the Sunday School sessions. Too little training, in any case, do our children receive in the use of those books, upon whose right employment their satisfaction and edification in Church so largely depend.

It is to be trusted that every minister, in charge of a congregation, makes a practice of regularly visiting his Sunday School, and instructing it in the meaning of the Church Calendar and the right use of the Prayer Book, as well as in the cardinal principles of religion. Where this is the case, the likelihood is much decreased of there arising any antagonism between attendance at Sunday School and attendance at Church.

In conclusion, in order to reach some practical result, the Committee would recommend the holding, as soon as practicable, probably in the early autumn, of a general assemblage of as many of the Sunday Schools of the Diocese, as can be gathered, in the city of Providence, for listening to addresses by leading speakers, upon this subject, as well as upon kindred topics, connected with the Sunday School work. Great good might thus be accomplished by the creation of a common interest and sympathy, and by a common participation in a lively service of song.

The Committee therefore suggests the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be now appointed to arrange for an assembly of the Sunday School teachers and others interested in the work of the Diocese, in the city of Providence, on such day and in such manner, as it may find expedient.

W. N. ACKLEY,
DANIEL GOODWIN,
DANIEL HENSHAW, } *Committee.*
HENRY STAPLES,
J. W. VERNON,

On motion, the resolution recommended by the committee, was, with the amendment, received and passed.

The Chair appointed as the Committee:

Rev. R. B. PEET, Mr. J. W. Vernon.
" W. N. ACKLEY,

On motion,

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid to the sexton of the Church of the Saviour for his services at this session of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Parish of the Church of the Saviour for the hospitalities extended during the present session.

On motion,

Resolved, That in printing the Journal of the session of this Convention the Parochial Reports be omitted.

On motion,

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Journal of this session of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary and Treas-

urer, and that ten copies be given to each parish, and the remainder, after deducting the prescribed number of copies, be distributed pro rata in accordance with the assessments for the expenses of the Convention.

The Rev. E. H. Porter, Secretary of the Board of Missions, read the resolution relating to the sale of Calvary Church, Burrillville, recommended by the Board, which being the order of day for this hour, was considered by the Convention and lost.

Resolved, That this Convention hereby give authority to the Trustees of Churches and Glebes to sell the property of the Diocese of Rhode Island, situated at Burrillville, to invest the proceeds of said sale and hold them in trust for future use at Burrillville, whenever a mission may again be established there, and meanwhile to pay the annual interest of the investment to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, for missionary work in the Diocese, until further orders from the Convention.

The Rev. R. B. Peet, for the Committee appointed to prepare a form of charter or act of incorporation for Churches in this Diocese, read the report which had been made the order of the day. The report was acted upon by sections and accepted.

On motion, the report as a whole was adopted and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the committee appointed to prepare a form of charter or act of incorporation for churches in this Diocese, consisting of the Committee on Canons, and of the original committee, present as their report the following bill for the incorporation of Parishes, and recommend that a special committee be appointed to procure from the legislature the passage of this bill, with such verbal changes as may be found necessary.

R. B. PEET, *Chairman of Committee.*

A BILL FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PARISHES.

SECTION 1. Any number of persons, not less than ten, may, with the consent of the Bishop and Standing Committée of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Rhode Island, organize themselves into a parish, in the manner herein set forth, such persons at all times to be males of lawful age, and thereupon shall be a corporation for religious and charitable purposes, with all the rights and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities and duties set forth in chapter —, of the Public Statutes, and all acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. Such organization shall be made by an instrument in writing, signed by the persons making the same, which shall set forth in substance, the ecclesiastical consent by which it is made, the name of the parish and its location; that they organize for the maintenance of the worship of God, in accordance with the doctrine, discipline, worship, and liturgy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and subject to the laws and to the ecclesiastical authority of said Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island; and also the names of the persons appointed to be wardens, vestrymen and clerk of said parish.

SEC. 3. Upon the organization as aforesaid and the filing in the office of the Secretary of State a certificate, signed by the several corporators, stating that they have so organized and accepted the provisions of this act for their charter, and that they and their successors will be concluded and bound thereby, and stating also the corporate name and the location of said parish, the said parish shall thereupon become a corporation to all intents and purposes as provided in section 1 of this act.

SEC. 4. Said parishes shall at their organization, and afterwards at their annual meetings, appoint two wardens, a clerk and as many vestrymen and such other officers as their by-laws may require, who shall hold their offices until the next annual meeting of the parish and until others are elected in their places.

SEC. 5. The annual meeting of such parishes shall be held on the Monday of Easter week.

SEC. 6. The rector of the parish, if there be one, shall be ex-officio chairman of all meetings of the corporation and vestry, and such rector, when there is one, with the wardens and vestrymen, shall together constitute a vestry, which shall have charge and management of all the property and affairs of the parish, provided that no corporation organized under this act shall have power to sell or mortgage its real estate without consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and shall elect a rector in case of a vacancy. The clerk of the parish shall be clerk of the vestry, and shall keep a record of all the doings of the parish and vestry.

SEC. 7. Said parishes shall determine by their by-laws what persons may be admitted members of the corporation, and how they may be admitted to and removed from membership, the manner of calling and notifying meetings of the parish, the manner of levying and collecting taxes upon the pews or seats in the parish churches, and upon members of the parish; the proceedings for the sale of pews, for non-payment of taxes, and such other things as they may deem necessary, not inconsistent with the laws of this State.

SEC. 8. Said parishes may levy taxes upon the pews or seats in any church used by them, and may sell the same to enforce said levy in accordance with any general rule that they may establish by their by-laws.

SEC. 9. Each body corporate authorized by this act shall at all times be subject to the laws, discipline and usages of said Protestant Episcopal Church; shall receive and enjoy its franchises as a body politic solely for the purposes mentioned in Section 2 of this act, and upon the violation, surrender or repeal of its charter, its property, real and personal, shall vest in the Bishop of the Diocese of Rhode Island and his successors in trust, for the uses and purposes above set forth.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT B. PEET,
W. W. BLODGETT,
JOHN H. STINESS.

On motion the same committee was authorized to apply to the legislature for the passage of the bill.

On motion,

Resolved, That the invitation for the Convention to hold its next annual session in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket, be accepted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Registrar be authorized to place the important documents in his keeping in some place of deposit which shall be fire-proof.

On motion,

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes of the day's proceedings and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes were then read and approved.

The Bishop offered Prayer and pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned.

SAMUEL H. WEBB, *Secretary*.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

The first Episcopal duty performed, after the last Convention, was the admission of Mr. Hezekiah Usher Monro to Deacon's Orders, and the Rev. Edward Warren Clark to Priest's Orders, on the 23d of June, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.

On Sunday, July 17th, I visited St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier, and the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

On Sunday, August 14th, I visited St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown. This place is still supplied by the gratuitous services of the Rector of Trinity Church, Newport, but, with the increasing population of the island, and the spacious accommodations provided in the new and beautiful edifice erected there, it would seem as though some arrangement ought to be made for securing a resident rector, and I deeply regret that the very limited means of our Diocesan Board of Missions make it impossible for us to render the aid which is needed here and elsewhere, in order to supplement the limited stipend that is raised by the people themselves.

On the 7th of September, I delivered an address at a very pleasant harvest-home service in Trinity Church, Bristol.

The chancel was richly adorned with the fruits and flowers of the season, and the music was spirited and appropriate.

On the 25th of September, it being the day appointed as an occasion of national fasting and prayer, on the occasion of the foul assassination of the President of the United States, I authorized a form of service to be used in the churches of the diocese, and officiated in St. Mary's Church, Warwick, in the use of the same service and with a brief address.

On Sunday, October 2d, I visited All Saints' Chapel, Newport. I am happy to say that this is now a regularly organized parish, with wardens and vestrymen chosen by the congregation worshipping there.

On Sunday, November 6th, I confirmed two in St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth, and also visited the Church of the Holy Cross, Middletown.

On Sunday, November 27th, I confirmed eight in St. Mark's Church, Warren. Since the recent fire, which fortunately did not injure either the organ or the beautiful windows of St. Mark's, the church has been restored to a condition far exceeding in convenience and appearance its former state, and it is now one of the most attractive of our country churches.

On the 14th of December, I admitted the Rev. Charles Howard Malcolm, D. D., to the Holy Order of Priests, in Grace Church, New York city. The sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop of Easton. Dr. Malcolm still continues to hold the office of Corresponding Secretary in the American Church Building Fund Commission.

On Sunday, December 18th, I confirmed fifteen in St. George's Church, Central Falls. The heavy debt, which a short time ago rested like an incubus upon this parish, by the intense exertions of the congregation and the great lib-

erality of its outside friends in the diocese, is now reduced to such a point as to make it almost sure that the entire encumbrance will be removed in the course of the next two years, and then St. George's Church will become self-supporting, inasmuch as it stands in the midst of a dense population, and has in itself all the elements of strength. On the same day I visited St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls. The building in which the services are held was overcrowded, as usual. I wish that we had a church of our order in this place.

On Sunday, December 21st, I confirmed thirteen in Trinity Church, Bristol. The Rev. John H. Converse has become the rector of this parish, intending to combine the work of education with the ordinary duties of the church, a department of duty for which he possesses the highest qualifications, and in which he is almost certain to achieve distinguished success. I should rejoice to see a strong church school established in the diocese under his auspices, and I do not hesitate to recommend him most unqualifiedly to all who wish to secure for their boys a thorough and wholesome education.

On the 18th of January I preached in the Cathedral at Reading, Pa., at a service commemorative of the fiftieth anniversary of the Bishop's ordination to the diaconate. As Bishop Howe is a native of Rhode Island, and I had been in intimate relations with him during the earlier part of his ministry in Massachusetts, and afterwards, also, in Philadelphia, this was a service of more than ordinary interest to me. Of the brethren who were associated with us in the beginning, but a handful remain, and yet that beginning does not seem to be very far off. There was a large gathering of the clergy of the diocese in Reading, and in their name a beautiful and most elaborate pastoral staff was pre-

sented to the Bishop, accompanied by such demonstrations of regard and affection on the part of the clergy and laity as must have made the heart of their Bishop glad.

On the 26th of January, I consecrated St. Gabriel's Church, Providence. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Worcester, Mass., and, as might have been anticipated, it was a model of what a consecration sermon ought to be. The steadily increasing strength of St. Gabriel's parish, and the entire removal of the debt which, for some time, had rested upon the church, call for our earnest congratulations. Special thanks are due to a generous layman of the church, whose name I would be glad to mention, if it were not that I might shock his native modesty, which is as conspicuous a feature in his character as his broad liberality. On Sunday, February 19th, I visited Christ Church, Westerly. The Rev. William M. Groton, from the diocese of New Brunswick, has taken the rectorship of this parish, and it is enough to say that he follows in the steps of his devoted predecessor, and satisfies the wants of a people who felt that the loss which they sustained, when their late pastor was taken from them, could never be repaired.

On Sunday, February 26th, I confirmed twelve in St. Paul's Church, Wickford, a number which indicates that there is still much vitality in this quiet and venerable parish.

On Sunday, March 5th, I confirmed nine in Emmanuel Church, Manville, and also visited St. Mary's, Cumberland Hill. In addition to his duties at these two places, the rector in charge holds regular services in the village of Albion.

On Sunday, March 12th, I confirmed five in the Church of the Epiphany, Providence. The Rev. James C. Craven, who was in charge of the parish for a few months, has re-

signed, and his place will be supplied by Mr. Henry Bassett, who is to be ordained Deacon on Sunday next. Notwithstanding the changes which have occurred in the rectorship, this church has continued to grow and to flourish, and a large amount of the debt incurred in building has already been paid, with a fair prospect that it will soon be extinguished. In the evening of the same day, I confirmed eleven in St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

On Sunday, March 19th, I confirmed thirteen in the Church of the Redeemer, Providence. I rejoice to state that the rector has returned from his stay abroad, with renewed strength and vigor. On the same day I visited St. Thomas's Mission, in this city. If we only had more spacious accommodations for our services at this station, the church would grow proportionally. As it is, the little edifice in which we worship is now completely crowded and entirely insufficient for our wants.

On Sunday, March 26th, I confirmed twelve in St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

On Sunday, April 2d, I confirmed five in Zion Church, Newport. The Rev. E. H. Kettell has resigned this charge, and the Rev. J. C. Hewlett, formerly rector of the Church of the Saviour, Providence, has taken his place. On the same day, I confirmed fifteen in Emmanuel Church, Newport. The long voyage which the rector was compelled by the state of his health to take during the past year, has been most beneficial in its results, and he has resumed his labors with fresh alacrity and zeal.

On the 5th of April, I confirmed twelve in Trinity Church, Bristol, making in all twenty-five during the year.

On Easter Day I confirmed forty-one in Grace Church, Providence, one of the number being from the Church of the Saviour. In the evening, I confirmed nine in the Church

of the Messiah, Olneyville. We all rejoice in the rapid recovery of the rector, the Rev. Mr. Rice, from his recent severe and dangerous illness.

On Sunday, April 16th, I confirmed seven in St. John's Church, Providence. In the evening, I confirmed five in St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

On the 20th of April, I confirmed twenty-five in St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier. The Rev. E. W. Clark was placed in charge of this church and the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, during the last year, and the result of his labors has been a surprise to those who are familiar with the field in which he has been called to labor. This was the first confirmation ever held in St. Peter's, and it doubles the number of communicants in this parish.

On Sunday, April 23d, I visited St. Michael's Church, Bristol. It was a sad occasion, and no confirmation was held. On the afternoon of my arrival, the rector was called to mourn the death of one who was nearer and dearer to him than all the world beside, and I found the whole community, both within and without the pale of our own communion, grieving for the loss of a friend and sister, who had always been ready to share their burdens and sympathize with their woes. Mrs. Locke was one of those rare women who seem too good for earth, and better fitted for the society of the angels of light than for the company of such frail mortals as we are. In a day or two the spirit of her mother followed her to the land of rest.

On Sunday, April 30th, I confirmed twenty-five in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

On Sunday, May 7th, I confirmed eight in the Church of the Good Shepherd, ten in St. Paul's Church, and two in Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

On Sunday, May 14th, I confirmed eight in Christ Church, Lonsdale, and four in St. John's Church, Ashton.

On the 17th of May I laid the corner-stone of a church in Wakefield. It is to be built of stone, on a very commanding site, and when it is finished it will be a great ornament to the village. In the evening, I confirmed six in the hall now occupied by the Church of the Ascension in Wakefield.

On Ascension Day, I confirmed sixteen in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, and in the evening confirmed seven in Christ Church, Providence.

On Sunday, May 21st, I confirmed four in St. Thomas's Church, Greenville. A beautiful rectory, built upon land adjacent to the church, presented by our venerable friend, Mr. Resolved Waterman, is nearly completed. In the afternoon I visited St. Peter's Church, Manton, and found everything there in a more promising condition than has been known for many years. In the evening I confirmed ten in St. James's Church, Providence.

On Sunday, May 28th, I confirmed eight in All Saints' Church, Pontiac, and twelve in St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

On the 30th of May I confirmed twenty-three in Christ Church, Westerly.

On Sunday, June 4th, I confirmed three in St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

On the 8th of June, I confirmed seven in St. John's Church, Barrington.

On Sunday, June 11th, I confirmed twenty-one in Trinity Church, Newport. In the evening I visited St. John's Chapel, Newport.

The whole number confirmed is three hundred and ninety-two.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Henry Bassett, Isaac T. Bagnall,
Alvah E. Carpenter, Wm. R. Trotter.

ORDINATIONS.

Hezekiah U. Monro has been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons.

The Rev. E. Warren Clark, and the Rev. Charles H. Malcolm, D. D., have been admitted to the Priesthood.

CORNER STONE LAID.

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

CHURCH CONSECRATED.

St. Gabriel's Church, Providence.

CLERGY TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. E. H. Kettell, to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. C. W. Colton, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Rev. S. P. Watters, to the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Rev. James C. Craven, to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

CLERGY RECEIVED INTO THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. William M. Groton, from the Diocese of Fredericton, Canada.

The Rev. John H. Converse, from the Diocese of Wisconsin.

The Rev. E. Warren Clark and the Rev. James C. Craven, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

CLERGY DEPOSED FROM THE MINISTRY.

Stephen G. Burton, By Bishop Gregg.
Isaac K. Yokoyama, " Bishop C. M. Williams.

Edward W. Gilliam,	By Bishop Lyman.
Isaac N. Dexter,	" Bishop Doane.
William W. Fellows,	" Bishop Gillespie.
William L. Colegrove,	" Bishop Perry.
T. Jervis Edwards,	" Bishop Whittle.
Roland Brent,	" Bishop Dudley.
Oscar L. Warfel,	" Bishop Perry.
Thomas H. Hubbell,	" Bishop Dudley.

THE STATE OF THE DIOCESE.

I have but little to add to this statistical report in regard to the general affairs of the Diocese. Every parish in the course of the next two weeks will be supplied with a pastor. There are but three churches in which there is any indebtedness, involving a mortgage on the church edifice,—in two or three instances the debt has been greatly reduced during the last year, and there is reason to believe that, in both cases, it will be entirely discharged within a short time. If the receipts of the Board of Missions were large enough to warrant it, there are two or three points in the State where we could at once establish the service of the church; but, as it is, we can only hope to sustain the stations already established, and must wait in faith for better days, when the wants of our own Diocese may be better understood than they are at present.

Two charitable institutions have recently been established in the Diocese, which I would most heartily commend to your kind and careful attention,—the St. Mary's Orphanage and the St. Elizabeth Hospital. The former has received large donations during the past year, more especially in the form of real estate, one of our benevolent societies having transferred its entire property to the Orphanage, but further gifts in money are needed in order to secure the accommo-

dations required, and establish the institution upon a permanent basis. The St. Elizabeth Hospital is already unable to meet the demands made upon its charity, and applicants, whom the Board would have been glad to receive, they have been obliged to turn away for want of room. It is very desirable that a lot of land should be secured, and a spacious building erected for the hospital. This institution meets a want that is supplied by no other establishment in the city, and that is a most urgent and pressing want. Both the Orphanage and the Hospital are under the control of the Episcopal Church, but their doors are open to all, without regard to race or creed. The contributions made for their support have come from persons of various religious denominations, but we naturally look first to the members of our own church for aid and sympathy, and we trust that the hearts of some of our richer communicants may be so moved by the spirit of Him who went about healing the sick and comforting the afflicted, that they may be led to invest a portion of their wealth in one or in both of these benevolent institutions.

BISHOP BERKELEY'S MONUMENT.

A movement is in progress for the erection of a monument in memory of Bishop Berkeley, whose fame has filled the world, in the Cathedral of Cloyne, in Ireland, where he passed the latter portion of his life, and while multitudes of inferior men have been honored in brass and marble, no memorial has been erected in commemoration of his name. The residence of the Bishop for several years in this Diocese, the valuable services that he rendered to the Church, and the liberal benefactions received from him, would seem to furnish a sufficient reason for our joining with our brethren in Great Britain, and contributing our portion to-

wards the monument which it is now proposed to place in the Cloyne Cathedral. Last summer I published a brief appeal in behalf of this design in some of our papers, but, as it was not followed by any direct measures for the furtherance of the end desired, it resulted in nothing of any special account. It would be very creditable to the Diocese, if some expression of opinion as to this matter were made by this Convention, and I should be glad to have the requisite steps taken for giving our people an opportunity to contribute towards this memorial. They are looking to us from Ireland for some demonstration of sympathy with the movement, and I should be mortified if we refused in any way to recognize our obligation to the great philosopher and divine, to whom Pope ascribed, "every virtue under Heaven."

CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

I trust that the Convention will give due heed to the report that will be made by their Committee in regard to the Church Temperance movement, and take a sufficient amount of time for its consideration. If anything can be done to arrest the progress of an evil, which carries such dire destruction in its path, we shall all heartily rejoice. It is an evil, the magnitude of which can hardly be overstated, and to meet it efficiently and thoroughly, requires the exercise of a wise discrimination and a vigorous resolution. There may be some differences of opinion in regard to the best modes for staying the tide of intemperance, and the only way to reconcile these differences and arrive at the truest and wisest results, is by the free and untrammelled interchange of sentiment amongst those who have the same great end in view, however they may differ as to the means.

CONCLUSION.

I have visited all the parishes and missionary stations during the year, except Crompton, Phenix and Apponaug. I have been waiting the call of the rector in charge, who desired that my visit should be deferred until the new church at Crompton is ready to be opened. It is expected that the consecration will take place during the coming week. A lot of land has been given for a church in Phenix, and we trust that in a year or two the corner-stone of a new edifice may be laid in this thriving village. I am very happy to say that the Rev. Mr. Cocroft will hereafter be relieved of the care of the congregation at Apponaug. By the great liberality of a lady, for whose generous benefactions to the Diocese I desire to return my most hearty thanks, I shall be enabled to sustain a clergyman at this latter post, without any aid from the Board of Missions and without calling upon the people to contribute anything towards his support. They will thus be enabled to concentrate all their energies upon the accumulation of funds for the church edifice, which they so much need and desire.

The Church of the Saviour, Providence, in which we are now assembled, has secured the services of the Rev. Hezekiah Usher Monro, and he has entered upon the rectorship, determined to do all he can to lift this parish to a high state of prosperity.

I have only to add, in conclusion, that peace and prosperity reign throughout our borders, and the blessing of God is crowning the labors of His servants with a steady and abundant increase.

APPENDIX.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

JUNE, 1882.

PLACES.	PARISHES.	RECTOR OR MINISTER.	BAPTISMS.			Confirmations.	COMMUNICANTS.						MARRIAGES.	BURIALS.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.		
							ADDED.										
			Infants.	Adults.	Total.		New.	By Removal.	Total.	Died.	Removed.	Present Number.			Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.	Total.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	Robert Murray, Jr	24	4	28	4	4	6	10	1	9	77	4	17	21	265	286
Barrington	St. John's Chapel	William M. Chapin	....	3	3	7	11	....	11	....	5	66	1	1	4	20	24
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	George L. Locke	19	3	22	....	4	4	8	12	2	414	....	24	38	270	308
"	Trinity Church	J. H. Converse	25	8	33	25	24	4	28	3	13	108	....	9	18	100	118
Central Falls	St. George's Church	A. T. Parsons	10	4	14	15	15	10	25	...	10	105	8	5	10	80	90
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Church	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	*66	....	....	4	20	24
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	T. H. Cocroft	17	..	17	....	....	8	8	5	6	49	4	18	8	82	90
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	Daniel Goodwin	20	8	28	12	12	7	19	4	....	165	....	12	25	170	195
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	D. I. Odell	36	5	41	11	11	2	13	....	....	....	9	18	....	....	....
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	W. I Magill	2	3	5	4	4	1	5	5	....	59	6	7	11	64	75
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	George J. Magill	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	25	33
Lonsdale	Christ Church	H. C. Cunningham	16	2	18	8	8	....	8	4	3	306	10	16	41	359	400
Manton	St. Peter's Church	W. I. Magill.	7	....	7	....	....	3	3	....	....	43	....	1	12	70	82
Manville	Emmanuel Church	Henry Hague	16	3	19	9	9	1	10	...	...	72	7	7	13	80	93
Newport	Emmanuel Church	R. B. Peet	32	9	41	15	15	7	22	2	18	240	9	13	23	213	236
"	Trinity Church	George J. Magill	36	12	48	21	19	4	23	9	10	505	13	38	63	430	493
"	Zion Church	J. C. Hewlett	6	4	10	5	5	1	6	1	....	184	4	11	18	147	165
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	E. H. Porter	14	3	17	10	10	....	10	4	....	279	18	26	20	185	205

Pawtucket	Trinity Church	W. P. Tucker	13	2	15	2	2	7	9	1	10	194	9	15	15	115	130
"	Church of the Good Shepherd	B. Eastwood	8	2	10	8	10	....	10	....	2	87	13	16	18	175	193
Phenix	St. Andrew's Mission	T. H. Cocroft	4	....	4	....	....	9	9	2	6	24	1	8	9	70	79
Pontiac	All Saints' Chapel	J. E. Lindholm	10	2	12	8	8	4	12	....	12	45	4	7	11	70	81
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	B. H. Chase.	2	3	5	3	3	1	4	1	....	72	5	5	6	60	66
"	St. Mary's Church	Hobart Williams.	4	3	7	2	2	5	7	1	2	80	1	6	....	....	....
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Church.	Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D.	15	10	25	25	25	5	30	3	5	325	9	11	29	275	304
"	Christ Church.	S. H. Webb	35	5	40	7	7	14	21	2	16	180	16	38	18	220	238
"	Church of the Epiphany.	Henry Bassett	7	1	8	5	5	3	8	1	5	81	..	5	25	175	200
"	Church of the Messiah	D. G. Rice	44	2	46	9	10	7	17	3	16	146	22	33	22	150	172
"	Church of the Redeemer	C. H. Wheeler	11	2	13	13	13	....	13	3	5	150	4	8	23	170	193
"	Church of the Saviour	H. Usher Monro	13	....	13	1	....	....	....	....	....	137	6	15	29	150	179
"	Grace Church	D. H. Greer, D. D.	21	12	33	40	40	5	45	5	1	777	22	20	45	500	545
"	St. Gabriel's Church.	A. B. Carver	16	3	19	5	23	3	26	3	2	125	2	5	16	135	157
"	St. James's Church.	W. F. B. Jackson	11	2	13	10	10	12	22	3	3	108	11	13	19	125	144
"	St. John's Church	C. A. L. Richards	23	....	23	7	7	1	8	13	1	395	17	30	30	317	347
"	St. Stephen's Church	J. W. Colwell	18	8	26	16	16	3	19	1	1	300	17	31	25	150	175
"	St. Thomas's Chapel	A. B. Carver	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	*15	....	....	*7	*50	*57
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	E. W. Clark	5	5	10	6	8	....	8	2	....	30	....	7	8	22	30
Warren	St. Mark's Church	W. N. Ackley	9	4	13	8	8	....	8	1	3	169	5	27	17	165	182
Westerly	Christ Church	William N. Groton	10	12	22	23	23	1	24	5	1	229	4	33	29	355	384
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	W. W. Ayres	5	3	8	12	12	10	22	2	4	133	....	13	13	85	98
Woonsocket	St. James's Church	J. L. Miller	23	6	29	12	12	5	17	1	8	218	9	19	30	220	250
Valley Falls	St. Philip's Mission	A. T. Parsons	3	....	3	....	....	4	4	....	1	15	....	4	....	....	....
Narragansett Pier	St. Peter's Church	E. W. Clark	8	20	28	24	24	4	28	1	....	48	2	....	8	75	83
		S. B. Shaw, D. D.	3	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	20	....	....	....
			611	178	789	392	419	151	570	104	180	6,821	274	612	789	6,409	7.198

* Number last reported.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

June, 1882.

PARISHES.	Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.									Contributions for Parish Purposes.			TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Indian Missions.	Home Missions for Colored People.	Education for the Ministry.	Widows and Orphans, etc. Fund.	Miscellaneous and Unspecified.	TOTAL.	Pew Rents, Offerings, etc., for support of Public Worship.	All other Contributions.	TOTAL.	
shton, St. John's	$7 45	$5 00	$6 00	.....	.....	.....	$6 00	$295 49	$319 94	$1,361 57	.....	$1,361 57	$1,681 51
arrington, St. John's	7 12	9 00	4 03	.....	.....	.....	4 86	23 71	48 72	1,241 98	$359 03	1,601 01	1,649 73
ristol, St Michael's	95 00	122 50	122 50	53 08	5 00	.....	30 00	197 50	625 58	7,741 06	291 13	8,032 19	8,657 77
" Trinity Church	8 02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 29	10 00	22 31	920 92	435 87	1,356 79	1,379 10
entral Falls, St. George's	25 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 35	.....	28 48	563 54	552 08	1,115 62	1,144 10
ranston, St. Bartholomew's	*												
rompton, St. Philip's	8 00	7 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	3 00	71 00	108 00	577 85	167 75	745 60	853 60
ast Greenwich, St. Luke's	100 87	155 42	122 02	.....	.....	.....	22 19	242 01	642 51	3,281 71	696 37	3,978 08	4,620 59
ast Providence, St Mary's	7 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	6 00	.....	30 00	46 00	1,120 22	95 72	1,215 94	1,261 94
reenville, St. Thomas's	22 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 55	.....	20 00	46 40	538 00	666 00	1,204 00	1,250 40
amestown, St. Matthew's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 63	96 08	161 71	161 71
onsdale, Christ Church	140 98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 31	270 31	427 60	2,279 69	.....	2,279 69	2,707 29
anton, St. Peter's	10 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	10 00	24 23	243 05	510 05	753 10	777 33
anville, Emmanuel	23 00	8 00	8 00	7 93	.....	.....	11 50	74 76	133 19	904 00	182 00	1,086 00	1,219 19
ewport, Emmanuel	55 89	148 97	234 74	.....	250 00	.....	32 98	444 72	1,167 30	2,954 29	1,382 98	4,337 27	5,504 57
" Trinity	62 46	250 35	66 00	.....	141 55	146 32	175 53	7,657 66	8,499 87	8,000 00	.....	8,000 00	16,499 87
" Zion	19 87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 87	2,934 00	375 59	3,309 59	3,329 46

Pawtucket, St. Paul's	100 00	3 00					8 58	153 63	265 21	2,740 81	1,439 69	4,180 50	4,445 71
" Trinity	35 00	90 64	15 25			8 60	10 00	119 73	279 22	2,502 45	384 75	2,887 20	3,166 42
" Good Shepherd	10 53							14 00	24 53	402 20	919 00	1,321 20	1,345 73
Phenix, St. Andrew's	4 00	1 00				2 00		20 00	27 00	175 00	200 00	375 00	402 00
Pontiac, All Saints'	14 25	7 00	3 00	15 00		3 00	3 00	17 00	62 25	1,235 00		1,235 00	1,297 25
Portsmouth, St. Paul's	9 10						5 00	156 28	170 38	750 00	178 00	928 00	1,098 38
" St. Mary's	21 00	21 40	6 00				10 00	134 28	192 68	373 99	81 75	455 74	648 42
All Saints' Memorial	147 78	245 57	205 57	25 00	10 00	35 00	14 50	670 57	1,353 99	4,218 38	700 00	4,918 38	6,272 37
Christ Church	20 00	12 50	12 50				3 00	25 15	73 15	796 47	320 12	1,116 59	1,189 74
Church of the Epiphany	24 21	55 00	10 00				2 67	42 86	134 74	1,331 63	930 44	2,262 07	2,396 81
Church of the Messiah	15 42	10 00				5 00	3 00	75 79	109 21	1,526 08	200 00	1,726 08	1,835 29
Church of the Redeemer	50 53	3 92	5 50		12 29			283 00	355 24	1,336 51	386 64	1,723 15	2,078 39
Church of the Saviour								242 97	242 97	1,507 85		1,507 85	1,750 82
Grace Church	304 73	560 75	160 00			410 00	25 00	3,590 50	5,050 98	10,481 65	12,758 50	23,240 15	28,291 13
St. Gabriel's	5 00	24 91					5 00	64 45	99 36	1,279 55	6,897 43	8,176 98	8,276 34
St. James's	26 50		10 00				7 30	116 50	160 30	699 02	913 34	1,612 36	1,772 66
St. John's	1,135 61	3,015 06	3,853 51	774 28	399 78		282 30	28,924 84	38,385 38	7,142 69	3,427 70	10,570 39	48,955 77
St. Stephen's	127 50	115 00	161 50	87 00	25 00	106 00	120 00	2,221 25	2,963 25	5,688 47	135 65	5,824 12	8,787 37
St. Thomas's	*												
Wakefield, Ascension			3 25					26 71	29 96	50 76	2,781 44	2 832 20	2,862 16
Warren, St. Mark's	92 27	27 50	27 50			11 00	16 66	183 73	358 66	1,704 18	1,443 71	3,147 89	3,506 55
Westerly, Christ Church	77 94	26 29		60 00			19 37	316 88	500 48	2,427 55	463 76	2,891 31	3,391 79
Wickford, St. Paul's	68 33	75 30	23 29				20 28	64 48	251 68	1,835 71	229 08	2,064 79	2,316 47
Woonsocket, St. James's	72 02	17 50	15 61				17 08	237 47	359 68	2,255 65	877 94	3,133 59	3,493 27
Valley Falls, St. Philip's	7 50								7 50	177 52		177 52	185 02
Narragansett Pier, St. Peter's								31 00	31 00	1,200 17	500 00	1,700 17	1,731 17
	$2,973 09	$5,018 58	$5,080 77	$1,024 29	$848 62	$756 47	$882 75	$47,070 23	$63,648 80	$88,566 80	$41,979 59	$130,546 39	$194,195 19

* No report.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

1881–2.

PARISHES—

Present number in union with the Convention	39
Number not in union with the Convention	5
Churches consecrated	4
Corner-stone laid	1
CHURCHES AND CHAPELS	49
MISSION STATIONS, (exclusive of those where there is an organized Parish)	4

CLERGY—

Ordained to the Diaconate	1
Ordained to the Priesthood	2
Transferred to other Dioceses	4
Received from other Dioceses	3
Died	0
Present number, (Bishop, 1; Priests, 45; Deacons, 2;)	48
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, June, 1882	4

BAPTISMS*

Infants	611	
Adults	178	789
CONFIRMED		399†

*The Parochial statistics, beginning with Baptisms, are incomplete, several parishes having made only partial report.

†Number reported by the Bishop.

COMMUNICANTS —

Added—New	419	
" By Removal	151	570
Died		104
Removed		180
Present number		6,821

MARRIAGES 274

BURIALS 612

SUNDAY SCHOOL—

Teachers and officers	789	
Scholars	6,409	7,198

CONTRIBUTIONS

FOR MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES.

For Diocesan Missions	$2,973 09
" Domestic Missions	5,018 58
" Foreign Missions	5,080 77
" Indian Missions	1,024 29
" Home Missions to Colored People	848 62
" Education for the Ministry	750 47
" the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.	882 75
Miscellaneous and Unspecified	47,070 23
Total Missionary and Charitable Contributions	$63,648 80

FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

Ordinary contributions for the support of Public Worship, (the usual pew rents, offerings and subscriptions for the regular maintenance of the Parish)	$88,566 80
All other contributions for Parish Purposes (special or extraordinary, for repairs, building, or whatever is not included under the previous head)	41,979 59
Total for Parish Purposes	$130,546 39
Total for all purposes	$194,195 19

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE

ON THE

Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses.

The Board of Audit and Finance estimate the amount required for the Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses to be thirty-two hundred dollars, and recommend the following assessments, viz.:

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	$20 00	$5 00	$25 00
Barrington	St. John's Church	20 00	5 00	25 00
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	155 00	30 00	185 00
"	Trinity Church	30 00	7 00	37 00
Central Falls	St. George's Church	4 00	1 00	5 00
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Ch.	4 00	1 00	5 00
Crompton	St Philip's Church.	8 00	2 00	10 00
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	80 00	15 00	95 00
East Providence	St. Mary's Church.	8 00	2 00	10 00
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	4 00	1 00	5 00
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	4 00	1 00	5 00
Lonsdale	Christ Church	95 00	20 00	115 00
Manton	St. Peter's Church	8 00	2 00	10 00
Manville	Emmanuel Church	15 00	3 00	18 00
Narragansett Pier.	St. Peter's Church	20 00	5 00	25 00
Newport	Emmanuel Church	52 00	13 00	65 00
"	Trinity Church	320 00	70 00	390 00
"	Zion Church	48 00	12 00	60 00
Pawtucket	St. Paul's Church	130 00	35 00	165 00
"	Trinity Church	56 00	14 00	70 00
Pontiac	All Saint's Chapel	8 00	2 00	10 00

Location.	Churches.	Bishop's Salary.	Convention Expenses.	Total.
Portsmouth	St. Paul's Church	$8 00	$2 00	$10 00
Providence	All Saints' Memorial Ch.	110 00	25 00	135 00
"	Christ Church	8 00	2 00	10 00
"	Church of the Epiphany.	14 00	4 00	18 00
"	Church of the Messiah	10 00	2 00	12 00
"	Church of the Redeemer.	30 00	8 00	38 00
"	Church of the Saviour	12 00	3 00	15 00
"	Grace Church	390 00	90 00	480 00
"	St. Gabriel's Church	16 00	4 00	20 00
"	St. James's Church	12 00	3 00	15 00
"	St. John's Church	365 00	85 00	450 00
"	St. Stephen's Church	230 00	60 00	290 00
South Portsmouth	St. Mary's Church	8 00	2 00	10 00
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	10 00	2 00	12 00
Warren	St Mark's Church	70 00	15 00	85 00
Westerly	Christ Church	90 00	20 00	110 00
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	55 00	10 00	65 00
Woonsocket	St. James's Church	73 00	17 00	90 00
		$2,600 00	$600 00	$3,200 00

LIST OF CHURCHES IN ARREARS.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston	$2 00
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown	2 00
Zion Church, Newport	55 00
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth	10 00
Church of the Redeemer, Providence	37 00
St. James's Church, Woonsocket	54 00
	$160 00

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 8, 1882.

Dr. *Bishop's Salary (Diocese of R. I.) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.		
June 14.	To balance of old account,	$49 08
July 1.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, one quarter's salary to date,	1,250 00
Oct. 4.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	500 00
Nov. 14.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	750 00
1882.		
Jan. 3.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	750 00
Feb. 10.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	300 00
April 10.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	250 00
April 26.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, on account of salary,	300 00
May 16.	To paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, balance of salary to April 1, 1882,	900 00
June 13.	By balance to new account,	199 91
	Amount carried forward,	$5,248 99

1881.		
June 13.	By assessment, June, 1879, on—	
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	$52 00
	Zion Church, Newport,	44 00
	By assessment June, 1880, on—	
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	50 00
	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	5 00
	Emmanuel Church, Manville,	10 00
	By contribution of Charles M. Smith and others,	86 80
Nov. 14.	By Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	1,440 74
1882.		
Feb. 10.	By Trustees of the Episcopal Fund,	66 19
May 16.	" " " " "	938 26
June 7.	By assessment June, 1881, on—	
	St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	20 00
	St. John's Church, Barrington,	20 00
	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	150 00
	Trinity Church, Bristol,	30 00
	St. George's Church, Central Falls,	2 00
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	5 00
	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	80 00
	St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	8 00
	St. Thomas's Church, Greenville,	1 00
	Christ Church. Lonsdale,	95 00
	St. Peter's Church, Manton,	5 00
	Emmanuel Church, Manville,	16 00
	St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier,	15 00
	Emmanuel Church, Newport,	40 00
	Trinity Church, Newport.	315 00
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	148 00
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	56 00
	All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	8 00
	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	117 00
	Christ Church, Providence,	5 00
	Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	15 00
	Church of the Messiah, Providence,	10 00
	Church of the Saviour, Providence,	12 00
	Grace Church, Providence,	390 00
	St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	16 00
	St. James's Church, Providence,	12 00
	Amount carried forward,	$4,283 99

Dr. *Bishop's Salary (Diocese of R. I.) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,	$5,248 99	Amount brought forward,	$4,283 99
		St. John's Church, Providence,	365 00
		June 7. By assessment June, 1881, on—	
		St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	235 00
		St Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	8 00
		Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	10 00
		St. Mark's Church, Warren,	70 00
		Christ Church, Westerly,	95 00
		St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	53 00
		St. James's Church, Woonsocket, on account,	54 00
		All Saints' Chapel, Newport, a contribution,	75 00
	$5,248 99		$5,248 99
		1882.	
		June 13. By balance to new account,	$199 91

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account, and the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Convention Expenses (Diocese of R. I.) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.			1881.		
June 14.	To balance from old account,	$156 22	June 13.	By assessment, June, 1879, on—	
	" paid George H. Dickson, for services attending Convention,	10 00		Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	$19 00
20.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary, bill for stamped envelopes,	3 24		Zion Church, Newport,	12 00
July 1.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary of the Convention, on account,	50 00		By assessment, June, 1880, on—	
Aug. 22.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary of the Convention, balance,	50 00		Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	16 00
	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary, amount of order of the Convention,	50 00		St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	3 00
Nov. 11.	" paid R. I. Printing Co., bill for printing 200 copies of Canons,	10 75		Emmanuel Church, Manville,	4 00
14.	" paid Rt. Rev. Thomas M. Clark, traveling expenses for 1881,	100 00		By Church of the Saviour for sewer assessment paid February 21, 1881,	128 38
19.	" paid Providence Press Co., bill printing 1,000 copies Convention Journal and reports and blanks,	266 69	Oct. 15.	By Pawtucket Mutual Fire Insurance Co., for return premium on policy No. 24,160,	20 00
1882.			1882.		
May 3.	" paid Rev. S. H. Webb, Secretary, bill for stamps, etc.,	3 00	June 7.	By assessment, June, 1881, on—	
June 13.	By balance to new account,	78 08		St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	5 00
				St. John's Church, Barrington,	5 00
				Trinity Church, Bristol,	7 00
				St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	35 00
				St. George's Church, Central Falls,	1 00
				St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	1 00
				St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	15 00
				St. Mary's Church, East Providence	2 00
				St. Thomas's Church, Greenville,	1 00
				Christ Church, Lonsdale,	20 00
				St. Peter's Church, Manton,	1 00
				Emmanuel Church, Manville,	4 00
				St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier,	5 00
				Emmanuel Church, Newport,	10 00
				Trinity Church, Newport,	75 00
				St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	32 00
				Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	14 00
				All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,	2 00
				All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	25 00
				Christ Church, Providence,	1 00
				Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	3 00
				Church of the Messiah, Providence,	2 00
				Church of the Saviour, Providence,	3 00
				Grace Church, Providence,	90 00
				St. Gabriel's Church, Providence,	4 00
				St. James's Church, Providence,	3 00
Amount carried forward,		$777 98	**Amount carried forward,**		$209 00

Dr. *Convention Expenses (Diocese of R. I.) in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$777 98	Amount brought forward,		$209 00
			June 7.	St. John's Church, Providence,	85 00
				St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	55 00
				St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	2 00
				By assessment, June, 1881, on—	
				Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	3 00
				St. Mark's Church, Warren,	15 00
				Christ Church, Westerly,	20 00
				St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	12 00
				By interest on assessments,	17 00
		$777 98			$777 98
			1882. June 13.	By balance to new account,	$78 08

JAMES M. CROSS, *Treasurer.*

We have this day examined the above account and find the same correctly stated.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 9th, 1882.

Dr. *The Borland Fund, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.			1881.			
Sept. 29.	To paid the order of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Clark,	$50 00	June 14.	By balance from old account,		$3,264 30
1882.			June 30.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,		10 00
Jan. 6.	To paid the order of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Clark,	50 00	Aug. 31.	By 6 months' interest on W. P. Hood's note to Sept. 1, 1881,		18 00
Mar. 10.	To paid the order of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Clark,	50 00	Sept. 30.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.		10 00
June 13.	By balance to new account,	3,295 26	Nov. 3.	By 6 months' interest on Ruth A. Davis's note to Oct. 30, 1881,		36 00
				By 6 months' dividend R. I. H. Trust Co.,		16 32
			Dec. 31.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,		10 00
			1882.			
			Feb. 28.	By 6 months' interest on W. P. Hood's note to March 1, 1882,		18 00
			Mar. 30.	By dividend Boston and Albany Railroad Co.,		10 00
			April 29.	By dividend R. I. H. Trust Co.,		16 64
			May 22.	By 6 months' interest on Ruth A. Davis's note to April 30, 1882,		36 00
		$3,445 26				$3,445 26
	This Fund consists of deposit in R. I. Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	849 26				
	5 shares in Boston and Albany Railroad Co., $100 each,	500 00				
	Note of Ruth Ann Davis, secured by mortgage, interest at 6 per cent.,	1,200 00				
	Note of William P. Hood, secured by mortgage, interest at 6 per cent.,	600 00	1882.			
	Cash in Treasurer's hands,	146 00	June 13.	By balance to new account,		$3,295 26
		$3,295 26				

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correctly stated.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Legacy of Lydia Mowry, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.			1881.		
Dec. 30.	To paid E. O. Angell, Treasurer of St. Peter's Church, Manton,	$18 80	June 14.	By balance from old account,	$940 00
1882.			Oct. 31.	By interest on deposit,	18 80
June 13.	By balance to new account,	958 80	1882.		
		$977 60	April 30.	By interest on deposit,	18 80
	This Legacy consists of a deposit in the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	$958 80			$977 60
			1882.		
			June 13.	By balance to new account,	$958 80

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account, and the vouchers therefor, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

Dr. *Fund for the Benefit of a Protestant Episcopal Church or Missionary Station in or near Jackson Village, R. I., in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer, Trustee.* *Cr.*

1882.			1881.		
June 13.	To balance to new account,	$442 80	June 14.	By balance from old account,	$427 58
	This Fund consists of a deposit in the Providence Institution for Savings,	$442 80	1882.		
		$442 80	Jan. 1.	By interest to date,	15 22
			1882.		$442 80
			June 13.	By balance to new account,	$442 80

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correctly stated.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer and Trustee.

Dr. *Fund for the Benefit of St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1882. June 13. By balance to new account,	$392 31	1882. Jan. 17. By amount received for the benefit of said church,	$392 31
	$392 31		$392 31
This Fund consists of a deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.,	$392 31	1882. June 13. By balance to new account,	$392 31

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Bequest of Sarah U. Goddard, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881. Nov. 14. To paid Rev. G. J. Magill for St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown, per order of the Convention,	$100 00	1881. June 14. By balance from old account,	$100 00
		1882. Mar. 28. By received of William Goddard, Executor,	100 00
1882. June 13. By balance to new account,	$100 00		$200 00
	$200 00	1882. June 13. By balance to new account,	$100 00

JAMES M. CROSS,
Treasurer.

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and found all correctly stated.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Legacy of Mary A. and Abby A. Goddard, in account with James M. Cross, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1882.			1881.		
Mar. 23.	To paid Charles E. Boon, Treasurer of Board of Missions,	$40 40	June 14.	By balance of old account,	$1,000 00
June 13.	By balance to new account,	1,000 00	July 15.	By dividend on deposit,	20 00
		$1,040 40	1882.		
			Jan. 15.	By dividend on deposit,	20 40
	This Legacy consists of a deposit in the Providence Institution for Savings,	$1,000 00			$1,040 40
			1882.		
			June 13.	By balance to new account,	$1,000 00

PROVIDENCE, June 9th, 1882.

We have this day examined the within account and the securities therein mentioned, and find the same correctly stated.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
Board of Audit and Finance.

JAMES M. CROSS, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in account with Trustees. (Regarding Principal.)* *Cr*

1882.			1882.		
June 1.	To balance to new account consisting of R. I. H. Trust Co., participation account,	$54,010 96	June 1.	By balance to new account,	$60,164 85
	Providence Institution for Savings,	228 89			
	Subscription note,	500 00			
	R. I. H. Trust Co., subject to check,	250 00			
	Mortgage,	1,175 00			
	Peoples Savings Bank,	4,000 00			
		$60,164 85			$60,164 85
1882.					
June 1.	To balance old account,	$60,164 85			

PROVIDENCE, June 10th, 1882.

We have this day examined the above account and have examined the securities herein named and find all correctly stated.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
Board of Audit and Finance.

PROVIDENCE, June 10th, 1882.

E. & O. E.

WM. GODDARD,
JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
Trustees.

Dr. *The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Rhode Island in account with Trustees.* (*Income Account.*) *Cr.*

1881.				1881.			
Nov. 12.	To amount paid J. M. Cross, being full amount of income to date,		$1,440 74	July 1.	By six months' interest Peoples Savings Bank,	$80 00	
1882.					By six months' interest Providence Institution for Savings.	28 06	
Jan. 26.	To amount paid Louis Price, Town Clerk of Pawtucket, for recording transfer of mortgage from Shepard C. Kingsley to Trustees Episcopal Fund,		56	Nov. 12.	By six months' interest R. I. H. Trust Co., Participation account,	1,080 20	
Feb. 10.	To amount paid J. M. Cross, being balance in hands Trustees at this time,		66 19		By balance R. I. H. Trust Co., general account,	252 48	
May 15.	To amount deposited from income of R. I. H. Trust Co., participation account to rectify error in principal account, said error arising from the payment to J. M. Cross of $250, Nov. 12, 1881, belonging to Principal fund which was on deposit in R. I. H. Trust Co., on "General account,"		250 00	1882.			
				Jan. 26.	By one year's interest on mortgage note for $1,200 at	66 75	
				May 15.	By six months' interest from R. I. H. Trust Co., participation account,	1,080 20	
					By six months' interest from Peoples Saving's Bank,	80 00	
					By six months' interest from Providence Institution for Savings,	28 06	
	To amount paid J. M. Cross, Tr., balance of income in hands of Trustees to date,		938 26	June 10.	By one year's interest on subscription note $500,	25 00	
	Balance of account,		25 00				
			$2,720 75			$2,720 75	
					By balance new account,	$25 00	

Examined and found correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 10th, 1882.

PROVIDENCE, June 10th, 1882.

E. & O. E.

WM. GODDARD,
JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
} *Trustees.*

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1882.			1881.		
June.	To paid *Rev. A. T. Parsons*, Missionary at Central Falls and Valley Falls. July 1st, 1881, $112.50; October 1st, 1881, $112.50; December 31st, 1881, $112.50; April 1st, 1882, $112.50,	450 00	June 6.	By balance old account,	$1,055 09
			July 27.	By net of discount Merchants Bank,	345 10
			Nov. 28.	By net of discount Merchants Bank,	342 82
			1882.		
			Mar. 23.	By cash from Mary and Abby A. Goddard Fund,	40 40
			Mar. 29.	By net of discount Merchants Bank,	294 55
			June 9.	By Parish contributions as per schedule,	2,725 89
	To paid *Rev. Samuel H. Webb*, Missionary at South Providence, July 1st, 1881, $100.00; October 1st, 1881, $100.00; December 31st, 1881, $100.00; April 1st, 1882, $100.00,	400 00			
	To paid *Rev. W. I. Magill*, Missionary at Greenville and Manton, July 1st, 1881, $100.00; October 1st, 1881, $100.00; December 31st, 1881, $100.00; April 1st, 1882, $100.00,	400 00			
	To paid *Rev. T. H. Cocroft*, Missionary at Crompton and Phenix, July 1st, 1881, $100.00; October 1st, 1881, $100.00; December 31st, 1881, $100.00; April 1st, 1882, $100.00,	400 00			
	To paid *Rev. Benjamin Eastwood*, Missionary at Pleasant View, Pawtucket, July 1st, 1881, $87.50; October 1st, 1881, $87.50; December 31st, 1881, $87.50; April 1st, 1882, $87.50,	350 00			
	To paid *Rev. J. M. C. Fulton*, Missionary at Elmwood, July 1st, 1881,	37 50			
	To paid *Rev James C. Craven*, Missionary at Elmwood, January 6th, 1882, $37.50; April 1st, 1882, $37.50,	75 00			
	To paid *Rev. W. F. B. Jackson*, Missionary at St. James's Church, Providence, July 1st, 1881, $37.50; October 1st, 1881, $37.50; December 31st, 1881, $37.50; April 1st, 1882, $37.50,	150 00			
	To paid *Rev. C. W. Colton*, Missionary at Cranston, July 1st, 1881, $25.00; October 1st, 1881, $25.00; December 31st, 1881, to balance account, $8.33,	58 33			
	Total amount paid Missionaries, carried forward,	$2,320 83		**Amount carried forward,**	$4,803 85

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions in account with Charles E. Boon, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

	Amount brought forward,	$2,320 83		Amount brought forward,	$4,803 85
1881.					
July 27.	To paid note at Merchants Bank,	700 00			
Oct. 1.	To paid printing circulars,	2 50			
Nov. 30.	To paid note Merchants Bank,	350 00			
1882.					
Mar. 31.	To paid note Merchants Bank,	350 00			
June 9.	To paid expense account from 1879,	10 00			
	To paid note Merchants Bank,	300 00			
		$4,033 33			
1882.					
June 9.	To balance cash to new account,	$770 52			
		$4,803 85			$4,803 85
	Received since closing account—		June 9.	By balance old account, cash on hand, no indebtedness,	$770 52
	From St. John's Church, Barrington,	$7 12			
	From Christ Church, Westerly,	28 54			
	From Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	2 75			

Examined and found correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
Board of Audit and Finance.

PROVIDENCE, June 10, 1882.

PROVIDENCE, June 9, 1882.

E. & O. E.

CHARLES E. BOON,
Treasurer.

CONTRIBUTORS.	1881. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1882. Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Total.
St. John's Chapel, Ashton												$10 00		$10 00
St. John's Church, Barrington														
St. Michael's Church, Bristol						$40 00			$50 00					90 00
Trinity Church, Bristol				$7 08			$7 50			$5 10			$8 02	8 02
St. George's Church, Central Falls		$5 00		1 00									5 45	25 13
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston		2 00		2 00			2 00			2 00				6 00
St. Philip's Church, Crompton						83 87								8 00
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich							5 10			5 50		9 10		83 87
St. Mary's Church, East Providence				3 15										22 85
St. Thomas's Church, Greenville					*10 00		*25 00	$59 17			$50 00	31 81		175 98
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown				1 81			1 40			2 00		5 00		10 21
Christ Church, Lonsdale										13 00	3 00			16 00
Emmanuel Church, Manville														
St. Peter's Church, Manton														
Emmanuel Church, Narragansett Pier							36 59							36 59
Emmanuel Church, Newport										20 87				20 87
Trinity Church, Newport											19 87			19 87
Zion Church, Newport											25 00		12 83	112 83
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	$25 00				25 00			25 00				35 00		35 00
Trinity Church, Pawtucket												7 00	3 00	10 00
All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac													9 10	17 10
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth	8 00											68 78		68 78
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence														
Christ Church, Providence		5 00		5 00			5 00			5 00				20 00
Church of the Epiphany, Providence					5 00		9 11			10 10				24 21
Church of the Messiah, Providence											15 55			15 55
Church of the Redeemer, Providence										25 00		*7 00		32 00
Church of the Saviour, Providence														
Grace Church, Providence							154 73							154 73
St. Gabriel's Church, Providence														
St. James's Church, Providence				4 00			4 00			5 50		12 50		26 00
St. John's Church, Providence					498 32							393 89		892 21
St. Stephen's Church, Providence												127 50		127 50
St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth	25 30											21 00		46 30
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield														
St. Mark's Church, Warren	‡20 46						†56 27					*36 00		112 73
Christ Church, Westerly	9 63								38 53					48 16
St. Paul's Church, Wickford							31 14				37 13			68 27
St. James's Church, Woonsocket				19 60		16 30				36 12				72 02
St. Andrew's Mission, Phenix	5 00													5 00
All Saints' Chapel, Newport				283 67										283 67
St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls				1 50			3 00	2 61		1 50			1 50	10 11
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket				4 77								5 56		10 33
	$93 39	$12 00		333 58	538 32	$140 17	$340 84	$86 78	$88 53	$131 69	$150 55	$770 14	$39 90	$2,725 89

* Mission Aid Society. † $42.00 from Ladies' Sewing Society. ‡ Sunday School.

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Superannuated and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in account with Charles T. Dorrance, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1881.					
June 5.	To allowances to beneficiaries, paid quarterly, during year ending June 1, 1882, as below:				
	To No. 2,		$400 00		
	To No. 3,		187 50		
	To No. 4,		400 00		
	To No. 5,		300 00		
	To No. 6,		200 00		
	To No. 7,		300 00		
				$1,787 50	
	To balance to new account on hand and invested as follows:				
	In Providence Institution for Savings,		$6,350 25		
	In Rhode Island, do. do.,		270 00		
	In Peoples Savings Bank,		3,522 75		
	In United States Bonds				
	Registered 4 per cent.,	$4,000 00			
	do. do., 4½ per cent.,	4,000 00			
			$8,000 00		
	Cash on deposit in R. I. H. Trust Co.		549 93		
				$18,692 93	
	Amount carried forward,			$20,480 43	

1881.					
June 11.	By balance from old account,				$18,872 57
1882.					
June 5.	By collections in parishes as below:				
	For year ending June 11, 1881—				
	Christ Church, Westerly,		$25 56		
	St. Michael's Church, Bristol,		30 00		
	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,		80 00		
	All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,		34 00		
	St. Philip's Church, Crompton,		2 50		
				$172 06	
	For year ending June 1, 1882—				
	Christ Church, Westerly,		$19 37		
	Emmanuel Church, Newport,		32 98		
	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,		120 00		
	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,		17 08		
	Trinity Church, Newport,		75 53		
	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,		20 28		
	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,		22 19		
	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,		10 00		
	Trinity Church, Bristol,		4 29		
	St. Mark's Church, Warren,		16 66		
	St. John's Church, Ashton,		6 00		
	Emmanuel Church, Manville,		11 50		
	All Saint's Memorial Church, Providence,		14 50		
	St. John's Church, Providence,		282 30		
	Grace Church, Providence,		25 00		
	Christ Church, Providence,		3 00		
	St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,		6 00		
	Trinity Church, Pawtucket,		10 00		
	All Saints' Chapel, Pontiac,		3 00		
				$699 68	
	For income from investments—				
	From deposit in Peoples Savings Bank,		$136 76		
	Amount carried forward,				$19,744 31

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.*—CONTINUED. *Cr.*

1882.		1882.			
Amount brought forward,	$20,480 43	Amount brought forward,		$136 76	$19,744 31
		From deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,		246 56	
		From United States Bonds,		340 00	
		From cash balance in Trust Co.,		12 80	
					$736 12
	$20,480 43				$20,480 43
		1882.			
		June 5. By balance in hand,			$18,692 93

Examined and found correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, C. B. FARNSWORTH, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 8th, 1882.

PROVIDENCE, June 5th, 1882.

E. & O. E.

CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Treasurer.*

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., etc., would respectfully report:

The number of beneficiaries of this Fund during the past year has been six. The allowance made to one of these ceases with the present quarter, then leaving five families who will receive assistance during the coming year, the total allowances amounting to sixteen hundred dollars ($1600). For the first time since the organization of this Board, the parishes of the Diocese have failed to respond to the increasing demands made upon them. The receipts of this year were nearly two hundred dollars ($200) less than the amount distributed, so that the principal of the Fund has been encroached upon to this extent. The allowances now made are by no means large, and it would be difficult to reduce them, and would be a step which the Board would take with much regret.

Since the closing of the Treasurer's account the following sums have been received: From St. George's Church, Central Falls, $3.35; St. Philip's Church, Crompton, $3.00; St. James's Church, Providence, $7.30; Church of the Epiphany, Providence, $2.67; St. John's Church, Barrington, $4.86.

The following parishes have not contributed to the Fund: St. Michael's Church, Bristol; Zion Church, Newport; Christ Church, Lonsdale; St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth; St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown; Church of the Ascension, Wakefield; St. Peter's Church, Manton; St. Thomas's Church, Greenville; Church of the Messiah, Providence; Church of the Redeemer, Providence; Church of the Saviour, Providence; St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston; St. Mary's Church, East Providence; St. Gabriel's Church, Providence; St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.

For the Board,

CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

PROVIDENCE, June 13th, 1882.

RULES OF ORDER

AND

A STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS

OF THE

Convention of the Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

I. RULES OF ORDER.

1. On the first day of the Convention, after Divine Service, and a recess of fifteen minutes, the Convention shall proceed at once to business, and shall remain in session until the business for the first day is ended.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. The members of the Convention shall sit in pews contiguous to one another—the delegates of each church occupying one pew.

4. No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he have leave or be unable to attend.

5. All special committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

7. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall arise and with due respect address himself to the President, and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.

8. When two members chance to rise at the same time, the President shall determine to whom the preference shall be given; and all questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

9. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave.

10. No motion shall be acted upon until seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

11. When the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private conversation to the interruption of the Convention.

12. Every member who is in the Convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question, or excused by the President.

13. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, exept to postpone, to amend, to divide, or to commit.

14. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

15. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the minutes, when required by one-fifth of the members present.

16. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

17. All elections, when required by two members, shall be by ballot.

18. All other questions shall be decided *viva voce*, or by hand vote, unless a ballot be called for by two members.

19. When any vote is taken by orders, the names of the clergy and parishes voting in the affirmative and negative respectively, shall be distinctly announced before the result is declared, and shall be entered on the minutes of the Convention.

20. In all elections by ballot, the name of each clergyman entitled to a vote shall be called: whereupon he shall deposit his vote in a receptacle in charge of tellers, who shall remain in some convenient place until all have voted. The lay vote shall be received in the same manner. The tellers shall report to the Chair the number of votes cast, the number necessary for a choice, and the number for the respective candidates. The President or Chairman shall thereupon announce the result of the ballot. This report shall be placed on file.

21. The sittings of the Convention shall be open to all persons who choose to attend, unless otherwise ordered in the Convention.

22. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning at the opening of the Convention, and, if necessary, corrected; and before the rising of the Convention, the proceedings of the session on the last day shall be read.

23. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

24. All propositions for the adoption, amendment or repeal of Canons, or of Rules of Order, or of Standing Order of Business, shall, before action thereon, he referred to the Committee on Canons.

25. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

26. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

II. STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

After the organization of the Convention, as provided for by the Constitution, the following Order of Business shall be observed the first day of the session.

I. The business incident to the organization of the Convention, embracing the consideration of application of Churches and Parishes for admission into union with the Convention; Reports from special committees, appointed at a preceding session of the Convention, etc.

II. Reading of the Bishop's Address.

III. Regular Annual Reports in the following order:

1. Report of the Treasurer of the Convention.
2. Report of the Board of Audit and Finance.
3. Report of the Registrar.
4. Report from the Standing Committee.
5. Report from the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
6. Report from the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
7. Report from the Depository Board.
8. Report from the Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.
9. Report of Woman's Auxiliary.
10. Report from the Board of Missions.
11. Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

IV. Consideration of the state of the Church in the Diocese.

V. Introduction of business for reference to Special Committees.

VI. Parochial Reports.

The following Order of Business shall be observed for the second day of the Convention:

I. Roports of Committees appointed the previous day.

II. Elections:

1. Of Deputies to the General Convention.
2. Of Board of Missions.
3. Of Treasurer.
4. Of Board of Audit and Finance.
5. Of Registrar.
6. Of Standing Committee.
7. Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
8. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
9. Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
10. Board of Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.
11. Depository Board.

III. Miscellaneous.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

At a Parish Meeting of.....

Church.... .....regularly called in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of the Parish, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3.....

4.....

were chosen Delegates to represent said Parish in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, to be held on the second Tuesday in June, 188 .

At the same meeting, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....

2.....

3.....

4.....

were chosen substitutes.

Attest,

.....
.....
} WARDENS.

.....CLERK.

☞This form, when filled up, must be signed by the Church Wardens or Parish Clerk. A copy must be forwarded to the Secretary, another presented at the Convention.

PAROCHIAL REPORT

OF

.....CHURCH.....

THE REV.....RECTOR.

BAPTISMS—INFANTS, ; ADULTS, ; TOTAL, . CONFIRMED, .

COMMUNICANTS—ADDED, NEW, ; BY REMOVAL, ;

TOTAL ADDED, . DIED, . REMOVED, ; PRESENT NUMBER, .

MARRIAGES, BURIALS,

SUNDAY SCHOOL—TEACHERS AND OFFICERS, . SCHOLARS, .

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Diocesan Missions, - - - - -	.....
For Domestic Missions, - - - -	.....
For Foreign Missions, - - - - -	.....
For Indian Missions, - - - - -	.....
For Home Missions to Colored People, - - -	.....
For Education for the Ministry, - - -	.....
For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.,	.....
For	.....
For	.....
For all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes, not above specified, - - - - . -	.....
Total - - - - - - - - -	.....

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

From Pew Rents, Offerings, and Subscriptions, for the support of Public Worship, - - - - -	.....
All other Contributions, - - - -	.....
Total for Parish Purposes, - - - -	.....

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

Adopted June 14, 1882.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, being the Protestant Episcopal Church within the limits of the State of Rhode Island, shall be known and distinguished as the "DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND."

ARTICLE II.

This Church accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges the authority of its canons.

ARTICLE III.

1. The Convention, or representative body of this Diocese, shall consist of such clergymen as have been actually and canonically resident and officiating therein for one year next preceding the meeting of the Convention, and of lay delegates not exceeding four from each parish in union with this Convention.

2. Other clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese shall be entitled to all the privileges of the members of the Convention, except the right to vote. No clergyman entitled to a seat and a vote shall be deprived thereof by reason of advanced age or infirm health or temporary absence.

3. Only communicants of this Church shall be members of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

1. New parishes may, by a vote of the Convention, be admitted into union with it on presenting written evidence, under the authority of their wardens and vestry, that they have been duly organized

parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese for the space of one year, and have maintained regular public worship.

2. No parish shall be held to be duly organized unless it has given written notice to the Bishop and the Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, that at a time and place designated a number of persons, not less than ten, residents of said place or neighborhood, being males of full age, came together and signed the following article of organization: "We, whose names are hereunto affixed, conscientiously attached to the Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and earnestly desirous of securing its influences for ourselves and others, do hereby associate and organize ourselves as —— Parish of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and declare that we accede to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; and, to perfect such organization, we have elected the following persons Wardens and Vestrymen for the year ending Easter Monday next." And further, the above applicants shall furnish satisfactory evidence that the Church property now or hereafter to be used for public worship, is or shall be held in trust for the Protestant Episcopal Church.

3. In case the parish to be organized is formed within the limits of any existing parish or parishes, the written consent of the Rector or Rectors of said parish or parishes must be first obtained, and be filed with and approved by the aforesaid Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or, if it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee, acting with the Bishop, that said consent is without due reason withheld, they may give the required consent.

4. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee that a parish for two years last past has had no place of worship, or has maintained no regular public services, or has failed for three years last past, after notice from the Treasurer of the Convention, to pay its quota of the Bishop's salary, and of the Convention expenses assessed upon it, that parish shall be declared extinct and be stricken from the list of parishes in union with the Convention.

5. When it shall appear by the annual report of the Treasurer of

the Convention, that a parish for the year last past has not paid the full amount assessed upon it for Bishop's salary and Convention expenses, then such parish shall not be entitled to vote in the Convention then in session, nor at any subsequent session thereof, until said overdue assessments, with the interest accrued thereon, shall have been paid in full.

6. In the organization of any parish, where pews are owned by individuals or a corporation, provision must be made whereby said pews may be taxed for their proportion of an amount sufficient for the support of public worship in the parish.

ARTICLE V.

1. A Session of the Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the second Tuesday of June in each year, at such hour and place as the Convention at its previous annual meeting shall determine. The Bishop, at his discretion, may call special meetings of the Convention; it shall become his duty so to do upon request of the Standing Committee. In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate, of the absence for six months of the Bishop from the Diocese, or of the prolonged disability of the Bishop, a special meeting of the Convention may be called by the Standing Committee. At least three weeks' notice of such special Session shall be given to each clergyman constitutionally a member of the Convention, and to the vestry of each parish in union with the Convention, by the Secretary of the Convention, or, in his absence, by some other person appointed by the Bishop, or, as in the above cases, by the Standing Committee, to act in the Secretary's stead. No business shall be transacted at any special Session of the Convention other than that specified in the notice by which such Session has been called.

2. The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, but if there be no Bishop, or the Bishop be absent, a President shall be chosen from among the Presbyters of the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

Sessions of the Convention shall be opened with the Celebration of the Holy Communion, and there shall be a sermon or charge from

the Bishop, or sermon by some preacher appointed by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; after which the President and Secretary of the Convention shall take their places, and the Convention be called to order. The Secretary shall then call the roll of clerical and of lay members entitled to seats, after which the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. The list of clergy shall be furnished to the Secretary by the Bishop, or in his absence, by the Standing Committee, and shall specify those who have a right to vote. The list of lay delegates shall be made up by the Secretary from uncontested certificates of election from parishes declared by the Standing Committee to be on the roll of the Convention; said certificates being signed by the wardens or clerk of the parish and delivered to the Secretary before the organization of the Convention. At the Annual Session shall then follow the election of a Secretary for the ensuing year. The following Committees, and such others as the Convention shall at any time by canon add to their number, shall be appointed by the President: namely, a Committee on Credentials, a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, a Committee on Canons, and a Committee on Unfinished Business.

ARTICLE VII.

Members of the Convention shall upon all questions deliberate in one body, except as hereinafter provided, and in voting shall vote as individuals, unless three members shall call for a vote by orders, when the clergy and lay delegates shall vote separately; the lay delegates from each parish being entitled to but one vote, and the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to any action.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Secretary shall be chosen by joint ballot, and remain in office until his successor is chosen. His duty shall be to make minutes of the proceedings of the Convention, to preserve its journal and records, to attest its public acts, to transmit to the Registrar all books and papers relative to its concerns, including the journals of other Dioceses or of the General Convention, which may be in his possession as Secretary, to direct the distribution of the printed

journals of the Diocese among its parishes, and to give due notice of the time and place of the Sessions of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

A Treasurer, who shall be a layman, shall be elected annually, by joint ballot, and continue in office during the pleasure of the Convention. It shall be his duty to receive at each Annual Session of the Convention the assessment upon the parishes for the expenses of the Diocesan and of the General Convention, and for the support of the Episcopate; to pay quarterly to the Bishop the salary pledged to him by this Convention, and to perform such other duties and meet such other demands upon the Treasury as the Convention from time to time may authorize and direct. He shall present to the Convention, at its Annual Session, a report in writing of his receipts and disbursements.

ARTICLE X.

The Standing Committee shall consist of four presbyters and four laymen, communicants of this Church, elected by the Convention at its Annual Session, and continuing in office until their successors are chosen. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and report them yearly to the Convention. A majority shall constitute a quorum, except where it be otherwise required by canon. They shall have power to supply any vacancies which may occur in their own body, or among the officers of the Diocese, during the recess of the Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

1. Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen at the Annual Session of the Convention of this Diocese immediately preceding the regular Triennial Session of the General Convention, and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen.

2. The clergy and laity sitting apart, shall nominate, the clergy the clerical, the laity the lay candidates, by ballot; the lay delegates from each parish having but one vote. These nominations being reported, the clerical nominations to the laity and the lay nominations

to the clergy, those bodies sitting apart, and by ballot shall confirm or reject them, each body reporting its action to the other. Upon request of any two members of the Convention the ballot shall be taken upon each candidate separately. In the event of any rejection another nomination shall be made in manner as before directed. Upon the concurrence of the two bodies the Convention shall reassemble and receive report of the concurrent action, which shall then be declared by the President of the Convention.

3. Substitutes for deputies shall be similarly chosen. In case of the resignation, or failure to occupy his seat, of any deputy, clerical or lay, his place shall be filled by one of the substitutes in the order in which they were chosen; and it shall be the duty of the first chosen of the remaining deputies in each order to notify the substitute of the duty devolved upon him.

ARTICLE XII.

Whenever a Bishop is to be elected in this Diocese, a duly qualified presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States shall be chosen by the Convention at an Annual or Special Session. Clerical and lay delegates shall sit in one body, but shall vote by orders, and a majority of both orders shall determine the choice. At the request of any two members the Convention shall sit with closed doors.

ARTICLE XIII.

Canons for the government of the Diocese, and rules of order for the conducting of business, may be adopted from time to time by the Convention.

ARTICLE XIV.

This Constitution may be altered as follows: At any Annual Session a written amendment to the Constitution may be approved by the Convention, and at the next Annual Session may be adopted by a majority of both orders voting separately; and the Constitution thus amended shall be thenceforth the Constitution of the Diocese of Rhode Island.

THE CANONS OF THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

CANON I.

OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

1. The Missions of the Diocese shall be conducted by a Board of five clergymen and five laymen, of whom three clergymen and two laymen shall be chosen by the Convention at its Annual Session one year, and two laymen and three clergymen the following year.

2. When a ballot is called for in the choice of the Board, each member of the Convention shall vote, in the year when three clergymen and two laymen are to be chosen, for two clergymen and one layman only, and the three clergymen and two laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected; and, in the year when two clergymen and three laymen are to be chosen, each member of the Convention shall vote for one clergyman and two laymen only, and the two clergymen and three laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of a tie vote in any choice, the entire ballot shall be annulled. Vacancies in the Board may be filled by its members.

3. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio* President of the Board, and shall appoint its Missionaries.

4. Parishes or individuals may direct to what Missionary their contributions shall be devoted; provided that no Missionary shall receive from the Board an amount in excess of the salary voted him by the Board, and that any surplus shall go into the general fund.

5. No salary shall be paid to the Missionary of any Station at which a debt for a Church or Rectory, or other Parish building, shall be hereafter incurred, unless said debt be incurred with the written consent of the Bishop and of the Board of Missions, or until the entire liquidation of the debt. The attention of each Missionary shall be annually called to this section by the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

6. The Treasurer of the Board shall be a layman of the Diocese.

7. At the Annual Session of the Convention the Board shall report its proceedings, its receipts and expenditures, the general condition and prospects of its Missions, and also an estimate of the amount required for its work in the ensuing year, with a proposed apportionment of the amount among the parishes of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1. The Standing Committee may make rules for its government, and for the calling and notifying of its meetings. These rules shall continue in force until altered or repealed by it.

2. The Secretary of the Standing Committee shall hold office until his successor is chosen. He shall call the first meeting of a newly elected Committee in such manner as the rules of the Standing Committee may direct.

CANON III.

There shall be appointed annually by the Convention a Depository Board, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen with the Bishop who shall be *ex officio* chairman. It shall be the duty of said Board to superintend and control the purchase, publication and distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals, within the Diocese.

CANON IV.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

1. There shall be appointed annually by the Convention, a Board

of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to consist of four laymen and the Bishop who shall be *ex officio* chairman.

2. This Board shall appoint, from their own number, a Treasurer and Secretary, and shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

3. All applications from parishes in this Diocese, for aid in the building, repairing, or paying for churches, shall be made to this Board; and it shall be the duty of the Board to receive, keep, and pay out, on such conditions as they shall judge most conducive to the extension of the Church, all moneys however contributed and not specially appropriated by the contributors, for the purpose contemplated in this section.

4. This Board may, at their discretion, endeavor to secure in their treasury a permanent fund for the purpose contemplated in the preceding section, by collections in the several churches in the Diocese and by the solicitation of donations and bequests from individuals.

5. It shall be a duty of this Board to give, through the Secretary, their recommendation to all applications which they shall approve for particular parishes; and all funds so collected shall be paid into the treasury of this Board, and used under its direction.

6. Said Trustees may take and hold for the use of the Church in this Diocese, or in any parish or place therein, any property that has been or may be conveyed to them, or to the Convention of this Diocese, for parsonages, glebes, churches or schools, or for the support of any church or school; and they shall manage and dispose of such property according to the direction of the donor or grantor expressed at the time of making the gift or grant; provided that such directions and uses shall be for the benefit of the Church, and not inconsistent with the canons and laws of the General Convention thereof in the United States, or of this Diocese; and in case no directions respecting such property shall be given at the time of making such gift or grant, then they shall manage and dispose of the same in accordance with such directions as may be made from time to time by this Convention.

7. In case of any debt existing or accruing upon property held in

trust by this Board, which debt cannot be cancelled by the parties beneficially interested, this Board shall not assume such debt, as it is not within the province of the Convention to tax or assess the parishes to meet any such debt; nor does the Convention hold itself legally liable or morally responsible for it, but it shall be the duty of the Board to make known the fact of said indebtedness in such manner as may best secure voluntary offerings or subscriptions for its payment.

8. This Board is further authorized, and it shall be their duty, to receive, hold, and manage, in trust for the Convention, any other property, real or personal, which the Convention may at any time by resolution commit to the Trusteeship of the Board.

9. All moneys or other property given or entrusted to this Board, shall be faithfully applied as designated by the donors, and the Board shall make an annual report to the Convention of its doings, receipts and disbursements.

CANON V.

OF THE BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND ALSO OF SUPERANNUATED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

1. At every Annual Session of the Convention there shall be elected a Board for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased clergymen, and also of Superannuated and Infirm clergymen; which Board shall consist of four laymen, who shall be communicants of the Church, together with the Bishop of the Diocese who shall be *ex officio* chairman. In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee shall be *ex officio* a member and chairman of the Board.

2. The funds received by this Board shall consist of collections in churches, and of donations or legacies specially designated for the purposes of this canon; and it is hereby made the duty of each clergyman having charge of a parish, and of the wardens in every vacant parish, to make a collection for this fund on Christmas day, or upon some Sunday prior to the last day of May in each year. All

moneys contributed as above specified, shall be invested by the Board in such securities as in their judgment will be safe and productive; and such investments shall be made in the name of the Board as Trustees.

3. The appropriations from this fund shall be made by the Board in such manner, and in such sums, as they may deem expedient; *provided*, that no appropriation shall be made to the family of a deceased clergyman who was not at the time of his decease canonically resident in this Diocese, unless by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, given in writing, nor to any superannuated or infirm clergyman who did not continue in the exercise of his sacred duties until providentially disabled.

4. At every Annual Session of the Convention, the Board shall present to that body a report of their receipts, investments and appropriations, for the year preceding.

5. The Board shall have power to appoint such officers and subcommittees, and to enact such by-laws as they may deem necessary for the more convenient and effective discharge of the duties required by this canon.

CANON VI.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. Said Board shall consist of three laymen, of whom one shall be elected each year, and the persons hereafter so elected shall severally hold their office for the period of three years. Said Board shall have in special charge the care and investment of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

2. Said Board shall have power to appoint a Treasurer, who shall continue in office one year, and until his successor is appointed. His accounts shall be closed on the thirty-first day of May, and submitted to the Board, who shall examine and report thereon to the Convention. He shall, under the direction of the Board, pay to the Treasurer of the Convention the income arising from the Episcopal Fund.

CANON VII.

OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Audit and Finance, to consist of three laymen; of whom one shall hold office for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and the Convention at each Annual Session hereafter shall elect one member who shall hold office for the term of three years; and the said Board shall have authority to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

2. It shall be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Session of the Convention, to audit and examine all accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, and to inspect the securities and investments in his hands belonging to the general funds of the Convention and to the special funds and accounts in his hands; and from time to time advise and instruct the Treasurer as to the sale and re-investment of any securities belonging to the Convention, and as to the care and investment of any funds to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise; and the Treasurer shall not be held responsible by the Convention for any loss or damage it may sustain by reason of any investment or change of investment in its funds made by the Treasurer under the written advice and instruction of said Board.

3. It shall also be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Session of the Convention, to audit and examine the accounts and vouchers, and to inspect the securities and investments of each of the Boards of Trustees and Commissions who now have, or to whom may hereafter be given the charge and care of any funds belonging to this Convention.

4. It shall also be the duty of said Board to present at each Annual Session of the Convention, a report showing the amount the Board estimate will be required to be raised by assessment for the Bishop's salary and the Convention expenses for that year, and to recommend the sums to be assessed by the Convention on the several parishes in union with it. Said assessments shall be due and payable

in two equal amounts, viz.: one half thereof *on the first day of July following, and the remainder thereof on the first day of January next thereafter;* and in case said assessments are not paid in full on or before the aforesaid days, then it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Convention to collect legal interest thereon until said assessments are paid in full.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer, under the direction and approval of said Board, to take possession of, hold and manage all property, real and personal, (not now in the hands of any special Board of Trustees,) belonging to the Convention, or to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise, until such time as the Convention shall order other management or disposition of the same. And it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report annually to the Convention any action which he may take under the authority given to him by this Section.

CANON VIII.

OF THE REGISTRAR.

1. A Registrar shall be elected by the Convention at its Annual Session, into whose keeping shall be committed all documents pertaining to the history of the Church in Rhode Island, and all journals of other Dioceses, and any other documents that are now or may hereafter become the property of this Convention. It shall be the duty of said Registrar to preserve them in some suitable place of deposit, and to hold them subject to such regulations as the Convention may from time to time prescribe.

2. Said Registrar shall hold his office for one year, and until another shall be chosen in his place.

CANON IX.

OF THE BISHOP'S SALARY.

The annual salary of the Bishop of this Diocese shall be five thousand dollars, and shall be derived from the income of the Episcopal Fund, and from such sums as shall be assessed upon the several

parishes by order of the Convention. It shall be due on the first days of January, April, July and October.

CANON X.

OF REMITTANCES FROM PARISHES FOR DIOCESAN EXPENSES.

It shall be the duty of the Church Wardens and Vestries to see that the amount assessed upon their respective parishes by the Convention, be regularly transmitted to its Treasurer, so as to be included in his annual report.

CANON XI.

OF THE ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

1. Any parish intending to be represented in this Convention, as provided for in the third article of the Constitution of the Diocese, shall choose its delegates in a parish meeting, regularly called in conformity with the charter and by-laws of the parish; and in addition to the delegates provided for in said third article, said parish shall, at the same meeting, choose four other persons, to be called substitutes, who, in the order in which they are chosen, shall be entitled to fill the place of any delegate who may resign, or be unable to attend; and such delegates and substitutes shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of the parish; and also until others shall have been chosen to take their places. And the certificate of the election of such delegates and substitutes shall state that they are communicants of the Church.

2. Whenever, during a Session of the Convention, any lay delegate shall retire and a substitute take his place, the fact of such change shall be made known to the Secretary, and by him be entered on the record and announced to the Convention before such substitute shall be entitled to a vote or seat in it.

CANON XII.

OF THE MODE OF TRYING CLERGYMEN.

1. For the trial of all complaints against any presbyter or deacon of this Church, there shall be a permanent ecclesiastical court, con-

sisting of three presbyters, who shall be nominated by the Bishop and confirmed by the Convention.

There shall be also a legal adviser of the court, nominated and confirmed in the same way, who shall be a layman of the legal profession and a communicant in this Diocese; and it shall be his duty to decide all questions of law and practice arising in any trial, and all such decisions shall be reduced to writing, and be made part of the record of the proceedings.

Members of the court and the court's adviser shall hold their office during the Episcopate of the Bishop appointing them, and until others are appointed in their stead; *provided*, that if any of them shall die, resign, accept an election to the Standing Committee, become subject to prosecution under the Canons of the Church, or remove from the Diocese, the Bishop shall immediately appoint another person to fill the vacancy so occasioned, who shall hold the office until the next meeting of the Convention, when the Bishop shall nominate to the Convention the person so appointed, or some other person, in his discretion, for confirmation.

The court shall elect a president from their number, and appoint a clerk, who shall be a layman and a communicant in this Diocese.

2. Complaint against any clergyman subject to the jurisdiction of this Diocese, for any offence for which he may be tried in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention, shall be made to the Standing Committee, and shall be in writing, and signed by one presbyter canonically resident, and two lay communicants resident in the Diocese. It shall state that the acts complained of are true of their own knowledge, or that on careful inquiry they believe them to be true.

3. Should the Standing Committee deem the complaint well founded, and deserving prosecution, they shall make a written presentment, stating the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance, which shall be signed by the Standing Committee, or a majority of them, and be delivered to the President of the court.

4. The President shall then summon the court with the legal adviser thereof, and appoint a time and place for the trial. He shall

cause the defendant to be summoned to appear at the time and place so appointed, and to answer to the complaint. The summons shall be served by some person appointed by the President, by leaving a certified copy of the summons and presentment with the defendant, at least thirty days before the time of trial. If the person so appointed shall certify that the defendant cannot be found in the Diocese, so that he may be personally served with the summons, service shall be sufficient if the copies aforesaid shall be left at his last and usual place of abode therein; *provided*, that the court may require such other or further notice to the defendant of the proceedings as they may deem proper.

5. The Standing Committee shall appoint some proper person or persons to conduct the prosecution, *provided*, that all such prosecuting officers shall always be communicants of the Church in this Diocese.

6. Questions of practice, and of the admission of evidence, when not governed by canons of this Diocese, or of the General Convention, shall follow the analogies of the civil law of this State, so far as the authority of the court may extend. Witnesses may be examined by either party in the presence of the court, and when the personal attendance of witnesses cannot be had, their testimony may be taken in writing, in such manner and by such persons as the court may order.

7. The accused may employ legal counsel or other assistants in his defence on the trial.

8. The court shall act by a majority, and shall determine whether the accused is guilty or not guilty; and if they find that he is guilty of all or any part of the matters charged against him, they shall, in their discretion, award judgment of admonition, suspension or deposition.

9. A full record of the proceedings of the court, with the testimony, whether oral or written, shall be kept by the clerk, and a certified copy thereof shall, within twenty days after the rising of the court be delivered by him to the Bishop, who shall, within forty days from said rising, if the judgment is against the defendant, proceed to administer the discipline determined therein; *provided*,

that the Bishop may, for reasons satisfactory to him, at any time, remit the whole or any part of the penalty imposed by the court.

10. Should the accused not appear at the trial, and no good reason be shown for his absence, the court shall direct the clerk to certify such default to the Bishop, who shall thereupon suspend him from the exercise of his clerical functions until further order of the court. In case the defendant shall apply to the President of the court within six months from the date of such default for leave to appear and answer to the complaint, and to submit to the judgment of the court, the President shall assemble the court, and appoint a time and place at which to proceed to trial. In case the defendant shall not apply for trial within six months from such default, the clerk of the court shall certify such further default to the Bishop, who shall thereupon depose him from the ministry.

11. If the trial of a clergyman should become necessary during a vacancy of the episcopate, the Bishop of any other Diocese may, at the request of the Standing Committee, perform all the acts assigned by this canon to the Bishop of this Diocese.

CANON XIII.

OF NOTICES.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, before Easter of each year, to transmit by mail to all parish ministers and parish clerks of the Diocese, duplicate forms for certificates of the appointment of lay delegates, one of which shall be filled up and returned to the Secretary during Easter week. He shall also, one month before the meeting of the Convention, send by mail to the Rector, or Senior Warden, of every parish, the form required for Parochial Reports.

CANON XIV.

OF TESTIMONIALS OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Whenever the vestry of any parish in this Diocese shall sign any testimonial in behalf of persons to be recommended as candidates for Holy Orders, or to be recommended for ordination, such signing shall

be done at a meeting of the said vestry regularly called, and the testimonial shall so state, and be signed by the clerk of the vestry.

CANON XV.

OF THE REMOVAL OF COMMUNICANTS.

A communicant removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing, and the Rector of the parish or congregation to which he or she removes, shall not record him or her as a communicant of his parochial charge, until the communicant so removing, presents such letter if it be practicable to procure one.

CANON XVI.

OF THE LIST OF PARISHES.

1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, at least two months before its Annual Session, to send to the Standing Committee a list of the parishes in this Diocese, to be by that Committee revised in accordance with Article Fourth of the Constitution.

2. The list thus revised by the Standing Committee, shall be returned to the Secretary of the Convention at least one month before its Session, and be the authorized list of the parishes of the Diocese for that Session, and for any Special Session held during the year.

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, being the Protestant Episcopal Church within the limits of the State of Rhode Island, shall be known and distinguished as the "DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND."

ARTICLE II.

This Church accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges the authority of its canons.

ARTICLE III.

1. The Convention, or representative body of this Diocese, shall consist of such clergymen as have been actually and canonically resident and officiating therein for one year next preceding the meeting of the Convention, and of lay delegates not exceeding four from each parish in union with this Convention.

2. Other clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese shall be entitled to all the privileges of the members of the Convention, except the right to vote. No clergyman entitled to a seat and a vote shall be deprived thereof by reason of advanced age or infirm health or temporary absence.

3. Only communicants of this Church shall be members of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

1. New parishes may, by a vote of the Convention, be admitted into union with it on presenting written evidence, under the authority of their wardens and vestry, that they have been duly organized

parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese for the space of one year, and have maintained regular public worship.

2. No parish shall be held to be duly organized unless it has given written notice to the Bishop and the Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, that at a time and place designated a number of persons, not less than ten, residents of said place or neighborhood, being males of full age, came together and signed the following article of organization: "We, whose names are hereunto affixed, conscientiously attached to the Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and earnestly desirous of securing its influences for ourselves and others, do hereby associate and organize ourselves as —— Parish of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and declare that we accede to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; and, to perfect such organization, we have elected the following persons Wardens and Vestrymen for the year ending Easter Monday next." And further, the above applicants shall furnish satisfactory evidence that the Church property now or hereafter to be used for public worship, is or shall be held in trust for the Protestant Episcopal Church.

3. In case the parish to be organized is formed within the limits of any existing parish or parishes, the written consent of the Rector or Rectors of said parish or parishes must be first obtained, and be filed with and approved by the aforesaid Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or, if it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee, acting with the Bishop, that said consent is without due reason withheld, they may give the required consent.

4. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the Standing Committee that a parish for two years last past has had no place of worship, or has maintained no regular public services, or has failed for three years last past, after notice from the Treasurer of the Convention, to pay its quota of the Bishop's salary, and of the Convention expenses assessed upon it, that parish shall be declared extinct and be stricken from the list of parishes in union with the Convention.

5. When it shall appear by the annual report of the Treasurer of

the Convention, that a parish for the year last past has not paid the full amount assessed upon it for Bishop's salary and Convention expenses, then such parish shall not be entitled to vote in the Convention then in session, nor at any subsequent session thereof, until said overdue assessments, with the interest accrued thereon, shall have been paid in full.

6. In the organization of any parish, where pews are owned by individuals or a corporation, provision must be made whereby said pews may be taxed for their proportion of an amount sufficient for the support of public worship in the parish.

ARTICLE V.

1. A Session of the Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the second Tuesday of June in each year, at such hour and place as the Convention at its previous annual meeting shall determine. The Bishop, at his discretion, may call special meetings of the Convention; it shall become his duty so to do upon request of the Standing Committee. In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate, of the absence for six months of the Bishop from the Diocese, or of the prolonged disability of the Bishop, a special meeting of the Convention may be called by the Standing Committee. At least three weeks' notice of such special Session shall be given to each clergyman constitutionally a member of the Convention, and to the vestry of each parish in union with the Convention, by the Secretary of the Convention, or, in his absence, by some other person appointed by the Bishop, or, as in the above cases, by the Standing Committee, to act in the Secretary's stead. No business shall be transacted at any special Session of the Convention other than that specified in the notice by which such Session has been called.

2. The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, but if there be no Bishop, or the Bishop be absent, a President shall be chosen from among the Presbyters of the Convention.

ARTICLE VI.

Sessions of the Convention shall be opened with the Celebration of the Holy Communion, and there shall be a sermon or charge from

the Bishop, or sermon by some preacher appointed by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; after which the President and Secretary of the Convention shall take their places, and the Convention be called to order. The Secretary shall then call the roll of clerical and of lay members entitled to seats, after which the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. The list of clergy shall be furnished to the Secretary by the Bishop, or in his absence, by the Standing Committee, and shall specify those who have a right to vote. The list of lay delegates shall be made up by the Secretary from uncontested certificates of election from parishes declared by the Standing Committee to be on the roll of the Convention; said certificates being signed by the wardens or clerk of the parish and delivered to the Secretary before the organization of the Convention. At the Annual Session shall then follow the election of a Secretary for the ensuing year. The following Committees, and such others as the Convention shall at any time by canon add to their number, shall be appointed by the President: namely, a Committee on Credentials, a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, a Committee on Canons, and a Committee on Unfinished Business.

ARTICLE VII.

Members of the Convention shall upon all questions deliberate in one body, except as hereinafter provided, and in voting shall vote as individuals, unless three members shall call for a vote by orders, when the clergy and lay delegates shall vote separately; the lay delegates from each parish being entitled to but one vote, and the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to any action.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Secretary shall be chosen by joint ballot, and remain in office until his successor is chosen. His duty shall be to make minutes of the proceedings of the Convention, to preserve its journal and records, to attest its public acts, to transmit to the Registrar all books and papers relative to its concerns, including the journals of other Dioceses or of the General Convention, which may be in his possession as Secretary, to direct the distribution of the printed

journals of the Diocese among its parishes, and to give due notice of the time and place of the Sessions of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

A Treasurer, who shall be a layman, shall be elected annually, by joint ballot, and continue in office during the pleasure of the Convention. It shall be his duty to receive at each Annual Session of the Convention the assessment upon the parishes for the expenses of the Diocesan and of the General Convention, and for the support of the Episcopate; to pay quarterly to the Bishop the salary pledged to him by this Convention, and to perform such other duties and meet such other demands upon the Treasury as the Convention from time to time may authorize and direct. He shall present to the Convention, at its Annual Session, a report in writing of his receipts and disbursements.

ARTICLE X.

The Standing Committee shall consist of four presbyters and four laymen, communicants of this Church, elected by the Convention at its Annual Session, and continuing in office until their successors are chosen. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and report them yearly to the Convention. A majority shall constitute a quorum, except where it be otherwise required by canon. They shall have power to supply any vacancies which may occur in their own body, or among the officers of the Diocese, during the recess of the Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

1. Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen at the Annual Session of the Convention of this Diocese immediately preceding the regular Triennial Session of the General Convention, and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen.

2. The clergy and laity sitting apart, shall nominate, the clergy the clerical, the laity the lay candidates, by ballot; the lay delegates from each parish having but one vote. These nominations being reported, the clerical nominations to the laity and the lay nominations

to the clergy, those bodies sitting apart, and by ballot shall confirm or reject them, each body reporting its action to the other. Upon request of any two members of the Convention the ballot shall be taken upon each candidate separately. In the event of any rejection another nomination shall be made in manner as before directed. Upon the concurrence of the two bodies the Convention shall reassemble and receive report of the concurrent action, which shall then be declared by the President of the Convention.

3. Substitutes for deputies shall be similarly chosen. In case of the resignation, or failure to occupy his seat, of any deputy, clerical or lay, his place shall be filled by one of the substitutes in the order in which they were chosen; and it shall be the duty of the first chosen of the remaining deputies in each order to notify the substitute of the duty devolved upon him.

ARTICLE XII.

Whenever a Bishop is to be elected in this Diocese, a duly qualified presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States shall be chosen by the Convention at an Annual or Special Session. Clerical and lay delegates shall sit in one body, but shall vote by orders, and a majority of both orders shall determine the choice. At the request of any two members the Convention shall sit with closed doors.

ARTICLE XIII.

Canons for the government of the Diocese, and rules of order for the conducting of business, may be adopted from time to time by the Convention.

ARTICLE XIV.

This Constitution may be altered as follows: At any Annual Session a written amendment to the Constitution may be approved by the Convention, and at the next Annual Session may be adopted by a majority of both orders voting separately; and the Constitution thus amended shall be thenceforth the Constitution of the Diocese of Rhode Island.

THE CANONS OF THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

CANON I.

OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

1. The Missions of the Diocese shall be conducted by a Board of five clergymen and five laymen, of whom three clergymen and two laymen shall be chosen by the Convention at its Annual Session one year, and two laymen and three clergymen the following year.

2. When a ballot is called for in the choice of the Board, each member of the Convention shall vote, in the year when three clergymen and two laymen are to be chosen, for two clergymen and one layman only, and the three clergymen and two laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected; and, in the year when two clergymen and three laymen are to be chosen, each member of the Convention shall vote for one clergyman and two laymen only, and the two clergymen and three laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of a tie vote in any choice, the entire ballot shall be annulled. Vacancies in the Board may be filled by its members.

3. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio* President of the Board, and shall appoint its Missionaries.

4. Parishes or individuals may direct to what Missionary their contributions shall be devoted; provided that no Missionary shall receive from the Board an amount in excess of the salary voted him by the Board, and that any surplus shall go into the general fund.

5. No salary shall be paid to the Missionary of any Station at which a debt for a Church or Rectory, or other Parish building, shall be hereafter incurred, unless said debt be incurred with the written consent of the Bishop and of the Board of Missions, or until the entire liquidation of the debt. The attention of each Missionary shall be annually called to this section by the Secretary of the Board of Missions.

6. The Treasurer of the Board shall be a layman of the Diocese.

7. At the Annual Session of the Convention the Board shall report its proceedings, its receipts and expenditures, the general condition and prospects of its Missions, and also an estimate of the amount required for its work in the ensuing year, with a proposed apportionment of the amount among the parishes of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1. The Standing Committee may make rules for its government, and for the calling and notifying of its meetings. These rules shall continue in force until altered or repealed by it.

2. The Secretary of the Standing Committee shall hold office until his successor is chosen. He shall call the first meeting of a newly elected Committee in such manner as the rules of the Standing Committee may direct.

CANON III.

There shall be appointed annually by the Convention a Depository Board, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen with the Bishop who shall be *ex officio* chairman. It shall be the duty of said Board to superintend and control the purchase, publication and distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals, within the Diocese.

CANON IV.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

1. There shall be appointed annually by the Convention, a Board

of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, to consist of four laymen and the Bishop who shall be *ex officio* chairman.

2. This Board shall appoint, from their own number, a Treasurer and Secretary, and shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

3. All applications from parishes in this Diocese, for aid in the building, repairing, or paying for churches, shall be made to this Board; and it shall be the duty of the Board to receive, keep, and pay out, on such conditions as they shall judge most conducive to the extension of the Church, all moneys however contributed and not specially appropriated by the contributors, for the purpose contemplated in this section.

4. This Board may, at their discretion, endeavor to secure in their treasury a permanent fund for the purpose contemplated in the preceding section, by collections in the several churches in the Diocese and by the solicitation of donations and bequests from individuals.

5. It shall be a duty of this Board to give, through the Secretary, their recommendation to all applications which they shall approve for particular parishes; and all funds so collected shall be paid into the treasury of this Board, and used under its direction.

6. Said Trustees may take and hold for the use of the Church in this Diocese, or in any parish or place therein, any property that has been or may be conveyed to them, or to the Convention of this Diocese, for parsonages, glebes, churches or schools, or for the support of any church or school; and they shall manage and dispose of such property according to the direction of the donor or grantor expressed at the time of making the gift or grant; provided that such directions and uses shall be for the benefit of the Church, and not inconsistent with the canons and laws of the General Convention thereof in the United States, or of this Diocese; and in case no directions respecting such property shall be given at the time of making such gift or grant, then they shall manage and dispose of the same in accordance with such directions as may be made from time to time by this Convention.

7. In case of any debt existing or accruing upon property held in

trust by this Board, which debt cannot be cancelled by the parties beneficially interested, this Board shall not assume such debt, as it is not within the province of the Convention to tax or assess the parishes to meet any such debt; nor does the Convention hold itself legally liable or morally responsible for it, but it shall be the duty of the Board to make known the fact of said indebtedness in such manner as may best secure voluntary offerings or subscriptions for its payment.

8. This Board is further authorized, and it shall be their duty, to receive, hold, and manage, in trust for the Convention, any other property, real or personal, which the Convention may at any time by resolution commit to the Trusteeship of the Board.

9. All moneys or other property given or entrusted to this Board, shall be faithfully applied as designated by the donors, and the Board shall make an annual report to the Convention of its doings, receipts and disbursements.

CANON V.

OF THE BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND ALSO OF SUPERANNUATED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

1. At every Annual Session of the Convention there shall be elected a Board for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased clergymen, and also of Superannuated and Infirm clergymen; which Board shall consist of four laymen, who shall be communicants of the Church, together with the Bishop of the Diocese who shall be *ex officio* chairman. In case of the vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee shall be *ex officio* a member and chairman of the Board.

2. The funds received by this Board shall consist of collections in churches, and of donations or legacies specially designated for the purposes of this canon; and it is hereby made the duty of each clergyman having charge of a parish, and of the wardens in every vacant parish, to make a collection for this fund on Christmas day, or upon some Sunday prior to the last day of May in each year. All

moneys contributed as above specified, shall be invested by the Board in such securities as in their judgment will be safe and productive; and such investments shall be made in the name of the Board as Trustees.

3. The appropriations from this fund shall be made by the Board in such manner, and in such sums, as they may deem expedient; *provided*, that no appropriation shall be made to the family of a deceased clergyman who was not at the time of his decease canonically resident in this Diocese, unless by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, given in writing, nor to any superannuated or infirm clergyman who did not continue in the exercise of his sacred duties until providentially disabled.

4. At every Annual Session of the Convention, the Board shall present to that body a report of their receipts, investments and appropriations, for the year preceding.

5. The Board shall have power to appoint such officers and subcommittees, and to enact such by-laws as they may deem necessary for the more convenient and effective discharge of the duties required by this canon.

CANON VI.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. Said Board shall consist of three laymen, of whom one shall be elected each year, and the persons hereafter so elected shall severally hold their office for the period of three years. Said Board shall have in special charge the care and investment of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

2. Said Board shall have power to appoint a Treasurer, who shall continue in office one year, and until his successor is appointed. His accounts shall be closed on the thirty-first day of May, and submitted to the Board, who shall examine and report thereon to the Convention. He shall, under the direction of the Board, pay to the Treasurer of the Convention the income arising from the Episcopal Fund.

CANON VII.

OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Board of Audit and Finance, to consist of three laymen; of whom one shall hold office for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and the Convention at each Annual Session hereafter shall elect one member who shall hold office for the term of three years; and the said Board shall have authority to fill any vacancies occurring in their number during the recess of the Convention.

2. It shall be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Session of the Convention, to audit and examine all accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, and to inspect the securities and investments in his hands belonging to the general funds of the Convention and to the special funds and accounts in his hands; and from time to time advise and instruct the Treasurer as to the sale and re-investment of any securities belonging to the Convention, and as to the care and investment of any funds to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise; and the Treasurer shall not be held responsible by the Convention for any loss or damage it may sustain by reason of any investment or change of investment in its funds made by the Treasurer under the written advice and instruction of said Board.

3. It shall also be the duty of said Board, previous to each Annual Session of the Convention, to audit and examine the accounts and vouchers, and to inspect the securities and investments of each of the Boards of Trustees and Commissions who now have, or to whom may hereafter be given the charge and care of any funds belonging to this Convention.

4. It shall also be the duty of said Board to present at each Annual Session of the Convention, a report showing the amount the Board estimate will be required to be raised by assessment for the Bishop's salary and the Convention expenses for that year, and to recommend the sums to be assessed by the Convention on the several parishes in union with it. Said assessments shall be due and payable

in two equal amounts, viz.: one half thereof *on the first day of July following, and the remainder thereof on the first day of January next thereafter;* and in case said assessments are not paid in full on or before the aforesaid days, then it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Convention to collect legal interest thereon until said assessments are paid in full.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer, under the direction and approval of said Board, to take possession of, hold and manage all property, real and personal, (not now in the hands of any special Board of Trustees,) belonging to the Convention, or to which the Convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise, until such time as the Convention shall order other management or disposition of the same. And it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report annually to the Convention any action which he may take under the authority given to him by this Section.

CANON VIII.

OF THE REGISTRAR.

1. A Registrar shall be elected by the Convention at its Annual Session, into whose keeping shall be committed all documents pertaining to the history of the Church in Rhode Island, and all journals of other Dioceses, and any other documents that are now or may hereafter become the property of this Convention. It shall be the duty of said Registrar to preserve them in some suitable place of deposit, and to hold them subject to such regulations as the Convention may from time to time prescribe.

2. Said Registrar shall hold his office for one year, and until another shall be chosen in his place.

CANON IX.

OF THE BISHOP'S SALARY.

The annual salary of the Bishop of this Diocese shall be five thousand dollars, and shall be derived from the income of the Episcopal Fund, and from such sums as shall be assessed upon the several

parishes by order of the Convention. It shall be due on the first days of January, April, July and October.

CANON X.

OF REMITTANCES FROM PARISHES FOR DIOCESAN EXPENSES.

It shall be the duty of the Church Wardens and Vestries to see that the amount assessed upon their respective parishes by the Convention, be regularly transmitted to its Treasurer, so as to be included in his annual report.

CANON XI.

OF THE ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

1. Any parish intending to be represented in this Convention, as provided for in the third article of the Constitution of the Diocese, shall choose its delegates in a parish meeting, regularly called in conformity with the charter and by-laws of the parish; and in addition to the delegates provided for in said third article, said parish shall, at the same meeting, choose four other persons, to be called substitutes, who, in the order in which they are chosen, shall be entitled to fill the place of any delegate who may resign, or be unable to attend; and such delegates and substitutes shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of the parish; and also until others shall have been chosen to take their places. And the certificate of the election of such delegates and substitutes shall state that they are communicants of the Church.

2. Whenever, during a Session of the Convention, any lay delegate shall retire and a substitute take his place, the fact of such change shall be made known to the Secretary, and by him be entered on the record and announced to the Convention before such substitute shall be entitled to a vote or seat in it.

CANON XII.

OF THE MODE OF TRYING CLERGYMEN.

1. For the trial of all complaints against any presbyter or deacon of this Church, there shall be a permanent ecclesiastical court, con-

sisting of three presbyters, who shall be nominated by the Bishop and confirmed by the Convention.

There shall be also a legal adviser of the court, nominated and confirmed in the same way, who shall be a layman of the legal profession and a communicant in this Diocese; and it shall be his duty to decide all questions of law and practice arising in any trial, and all such decisions shall be reduced to writing, and be made part of the record of the proceedings.

Members of the court and the court's adviser shall hold their office during the Episcopate of the Bishop appointing them, and until others are appointed in their stead; *provided*, that if any of them shall die, resign, accept an election to the Standing Committee, become subject to prosecution under the Canons of the Church, or remove from the Diocese, the Bishop shall immediately appoint another person to fill the vacancy so occasioned, who shall hold the office until the next meeting of the Convention, when the Bishop shall nominate to the Convention the person so appointed, or some other person, in his discretion, for confirmation.

The court shall elect a president from their number, and appoint a clerk, who shall be a layman and a communicant in this Diocese.

2. Complaint against any clergyman subject to the jurisdiction of this Diocese, for any offence for which he may be tried in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention, shall be made to the Standing Committee, and shall be in writing, and signed by one presbyter canonically resident, and two lay communicants resident in the Diocese. It shall state that the acts complained of are true of their own knowledge, or that on careful inquiry they believe them to be true.

3. Should the Standing Committee deem the complaint well founded, and deserving prosecution, they shall make a written presentment, stating the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance, which shall be signed by the Standing Committee, or a majority of them, and be delivered to the President of the court.

4. The President shall then summon the court with the legal adviser thereof, and appoint a time and place for the trial. He shall

cause the defendant to be summoned to appear at the time and place so appointed, and to answer to the complaint. The summons shall be served by some person appointed by the President, by leaving a certified copy of the summons and presentment with the defendant, at least thirty days before the time of trial. If the person so appointed shall certify that the defendant cannot be found in the Diocese, so that he may be personally served with the summons, service shall be sufficient if the copies aforesaid shall be left at his last and usual place of abode therein; *provided*, that the court may require such other or further notice to the defendant of the proceedings as they may deem proper.

5. The Standing Committee shall appoint some proper person or persons to conduct the prosecution, *provided*, that all such prosecuting officers shall always be communicants of the Church in this Diocese.

6. Questions of practice, and of the admission of evidence, when not governed by canons of this Diocese, or of the General Convention, shall follow the analogies of the civil law of this State, so far as the authority of the court may extend. Witnesses may be examined by either party in the presence of the court, and when the personal attendance of witnesses cannot be had, their testimony may be taken in writing, in such manner and by such persons as the court may order.

7. The accused may employ legal counsel or other assistants in his defence on the trial.

8. The court shall act by a majority, and shall determine whether the accused is guilty or not guilty; and if they find that he is guilty of all or any part of the matters charged against him, they shall, in their discretion, award judgment of admonition, suspension or deposition.

9. A full record of the proceedings of the court, with the testimony, whether oral or written, shall be kept by the clerk, and a certified copy thereof shall, within twenty days after the rising of the court be delivered by him to the Bishop, who shall, within forty days from said rising, if the judgment is against the defendant, proceed to administer the discipline determined therein; *provided*,

that the Bishop may, for reasons satisfactory to him, at any time, remit the whole or any part of the penalty imposed by the court.

10. Should the accused not appear at the trial, and no good reason be shown for his absence, the court shall direct the clerk to certify such default to the Bishop, who shall thereupon suspend him from the exercise of his clerical functions until further order of the court. In case the defendant shall apply to the President of the court within six months from the date of such default for leave to appear and answer to the complaint, and to submit to the judgment of the court, the President shall assemble the court, and appoint a time and place at which to proceed to trial. In case the defendant shall not apply for trial within six months from such default, the clerk of the court shall certify such further default to the Bishop, who shall thereupon depose him from the ministry.

11. If the trial of a clergyman should become necessary during a vacancy of the episcopate, the Bishop of any other Diocese may, at the request of the Standing Committee, perform all the acts assigned by this canon to the Bishop of this Diocese.

CANON XIII.

OF NOTICES.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, before Easter of each year, to transmit by mail to all parish ministers and parish clerks of the Diocese, duplicate forms for certificates of the appointment of lay delegates, one of which shall be filled up and returned to the Secretary during Easter week. He shall also, one month before the meeting of the Convention, send by mail to the Rector, or Senior Warden, of every parish, the form required for Parochial Reports.

CANON XIV.

OF TESTIMONIALS OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Whenever the vestry of any parish in this Diocese shall sign any testimonial in behalf of persons to be recommended as candidates for Holy Orders, or to be recommended for ordination, such signing shall

be done at a meeting of the said vestry regularly called, and the testimonial shall so state, and be signed by the clerk of the vestry.

CANON XV.

OF THE REMOVAL OF COMMUNICANTS.

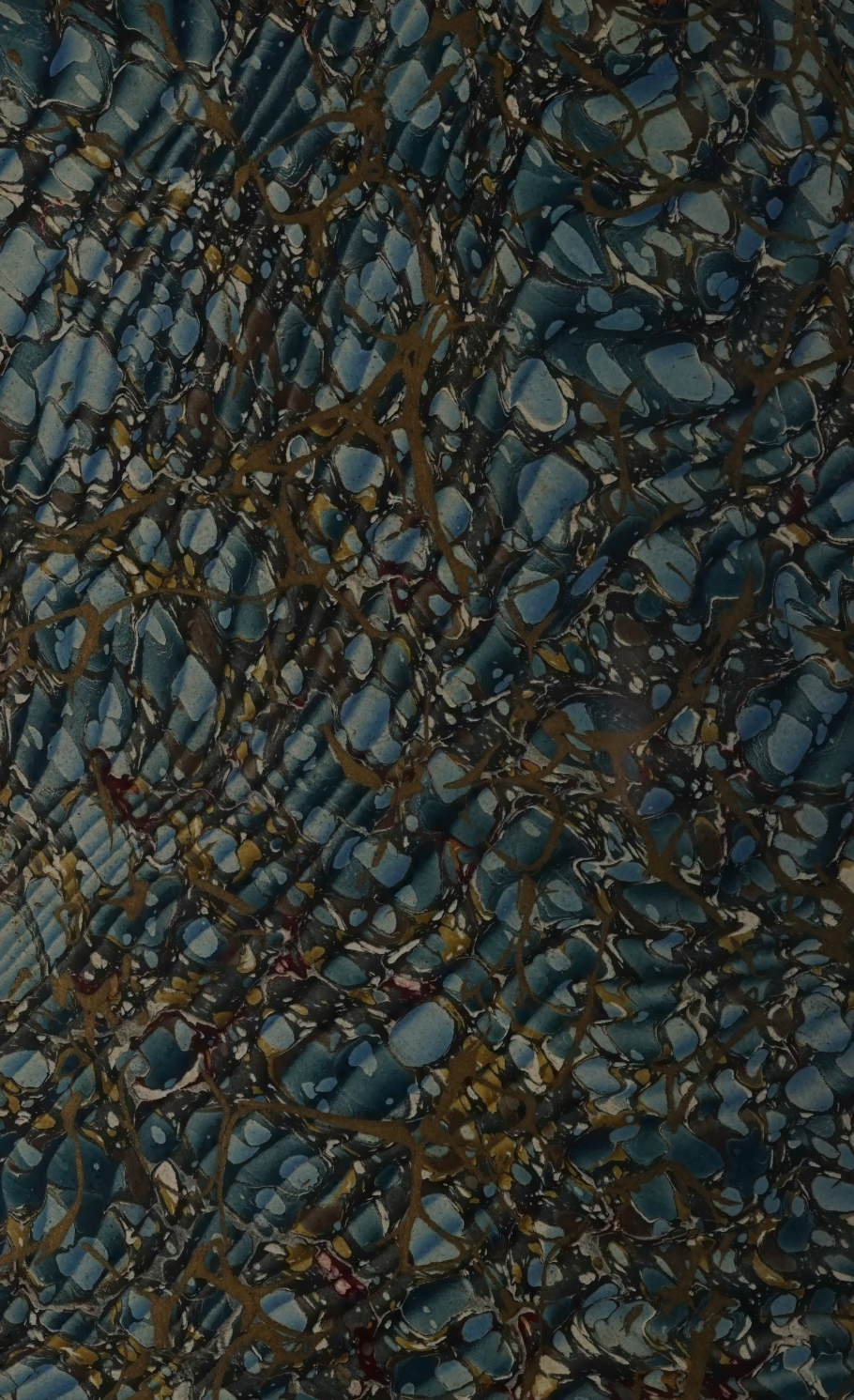
A communicant removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing, and the Rector of the parish or congregation to which he or she removes, shall not record him or her as a communicant of his parochial charge, until the communicant so removing, presents such letter if it be practicable to procure one.

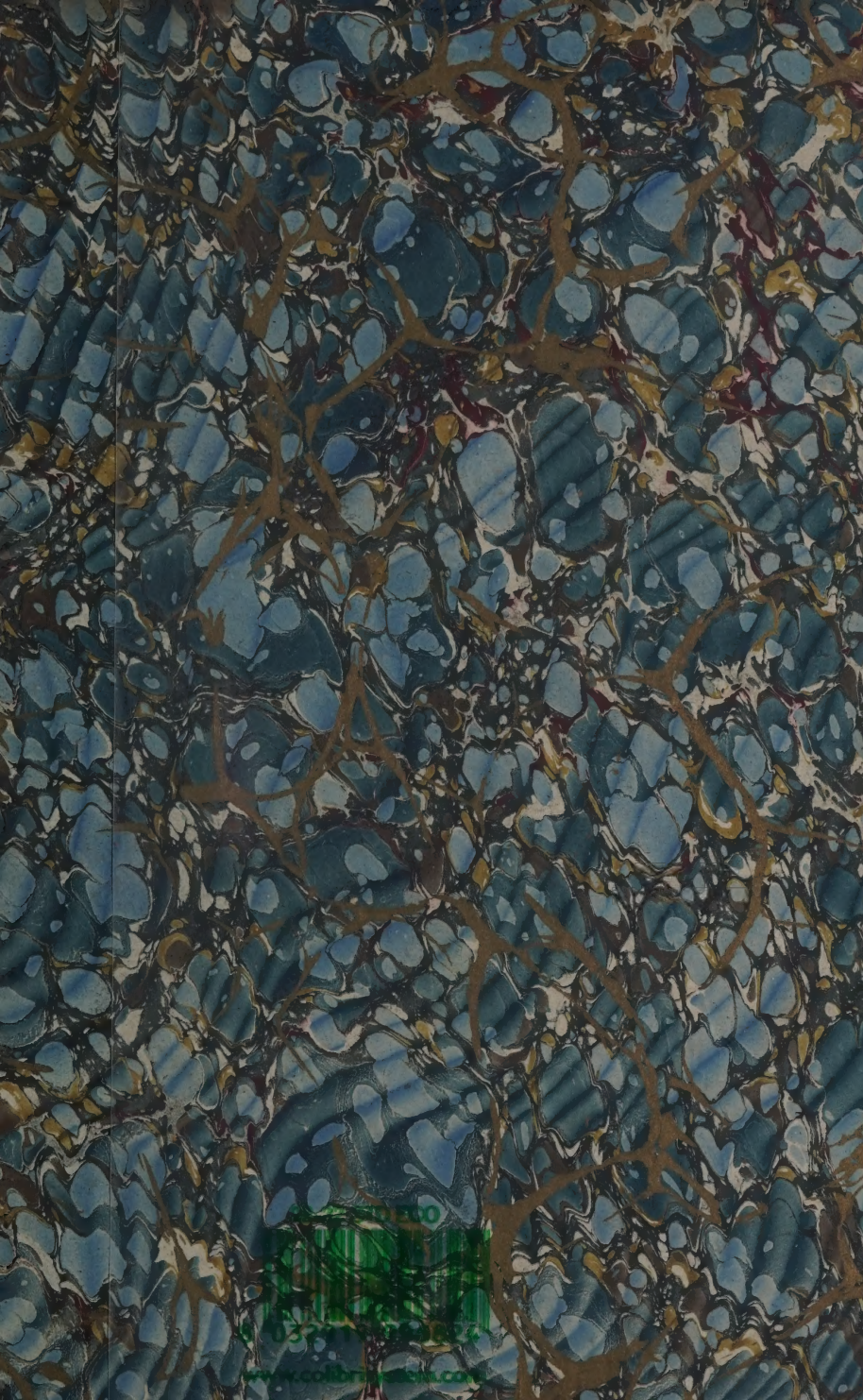
CANON XVI.

OF THE LIST OF PARISHES.

1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, at least two months before its Annual Session, to send to the Standing Committee a list of the parishes in this Diocese, to be by that Committee revised in accordance with Article Fourth of the Constitution.

2. The list thus revised by the Standing Committee, shall be returned to the Secretary of the Convention at least one month before its Session, and be the authorized list of the parishes of the Diocese for that Session, and for any Special Session held during the year.





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